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tearts, inscribed balloons and tisses from a French maid are among the ideas for Valentine's Day presents suggested in to-day's Preview. The 16-page weekly arts and entertainments guide al o contains information on films, theatre, music, dance, exhibitions, sport, family outings and broadcasting in Eritain, plus the skier Konrad Bartelski's view of the course for tomorrow's men's downhill world championship race

US agents forecast Shah's fall

Documents seized from the American Embassy in Tehran and published by the Iranians show that American diplomats and intelligence agents accurately assessed the situation in the last stages of the Shah's regime. Doubts over the regime's stability appeared in secret reports two years before the revolution Page 9

Yard to restore lost £5,000

Scotland Yard is to pay £5,443, plus £1,670 in interest, to a former prisoner after conceding that the money, confiscated from him during an arrest, had been lost. No disciplinary action is to be taken.

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Amend schools Act, MPs say

The Education Act, 1944, should be amended to give the Secretary of State powers to intervene when a local authority appears to be failing to provide a nationally agreed level of education, the Commons Select Committee for Education, Science and The

Clash on mental patients' rights

A Nurses' union and a men-tal health charity clashed over a case before the European Commission of Human Rights in Strasbourg yesterday in which the Government is accused of denying menta patients' rights Page 3

Mubarak firm on Palestinians

President Mubarak of Egypt has underlined his deep differences with Israel on the Palestinian problem. After talks with President Reagan in Washington, he said the Palestinians had a right to selfdetermination and to function as a national entity Page 8:

Speaker's ban

Referring to the use in the Commons of a four-letter word, Mr George Thomas said: "As long as I am Speaker, I shall consider that an unparliament ary expression. None of us would use it in our homes. I hope this House can maintain a better example to the country Diary, Page 12 Frank Johnson, Back Page

Rape therapy

Women who have been arracked sexually have volunteered to meet rapists in Maidstone prison, Kent, so that they can better understand the serious consequences of their Page 7

World Cup talks Mr Neil Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, will see Spanish Government officials in Madrid today to discuss the possibility of hooliganism during the World Cup finals this summer.

Alliance vote

The social democrats and the Liberals have announced they will vote with the Government on next Monday's second read-ing of the Employment Bill.

Royal tribute

Tomorrow is the thirtieth annision to the Throne. In tomorrow's Times Sir Harold Wilson, who served Her Majesty as Prime Minister during four administrations, pays a personal tribute.

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Letters: On Civil Service pay, from Mr Bernard Gottlieb, and others; Alliance leadership, from Lord Tordoff; Ulster, from Mr William McDowell. Leading articles: private and public medicine; Schmidt's economic measures.

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Preview Defiant Pym to repeat warnings on economy

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Mr Francis Pym, who was severely criticized in private by the Prime Minister for a speech on Monday which she considered too pessimistic, believes that he was right to speak as he did and means to do so again. He has told Conservative MPs, most of whom agree with him, it is vital that the chances of early economic recovery are not overplayed views, although deliberately made public and duly passed on by political reporters, had not been conveyed to Mr Pym directly. Nor when the two met at yesterday's Cabinet meeting was there any hint of the Prime Minister's displeasure. But Mr Pym, who reads the newspapers, yesterday showed his resentanent of the accusation of nestimaten whether it recovery are not overplayed by ministers.

by ministers.

His own belief is that expectations in the party and the country are too high at a time when there is world recession and low output and continuing long-established overmanning at home.

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overmanning at home.

Mr Pym, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons, is also in charge of co-ordinating Government information, and he thinks that the general impression given by his colleagues in the Government in recent speaches has been that the country's economic health is improving faster than in fact it is. He has asked for speeches it is. He has asked for speeches

to he more balanced.

The opposite view, held by some people in industry and the Treasury, is that the restoration of confidence would be a consume benefit itself be of economic benefit and that every sign of recovery must be trumpeted. This belief has certainly been reflected in has certainly been reflected in many recent speeches from Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and others.

Mr Pym's offence, in the Prime Minister's eyes, was that his Monday speech was too combra Ha said living stan-

sombre. He said living standards could only fall in the short run, and that for some time to come we would face a struggle just to hold on to something like our present living standards. ing standards. There could be no early return to full or nearly full employment, he said.

Asked next day by Mr Michael Foot about "this re-markable speech", the Prime Minister said it was excellent, and quoted the most cheerful parts she could find. But Mrs Thatcher's private comments' to member's of her Downing Street staff were different. She did not think much of the

newspapers, yesterday showed his resemment of the accusa-tion of pessimism, whether it was made by the Prime Minis-ter or in her name. He regards himself as a realist. He has pointed out to friends that he has made speeches in similar vein, at the Conservative Party conference and elsewhere.

He believes that the Conservatives have a better chance than any other party of forming the next Government, but not if they mislead the country and raise hopes too high.

He is strikingly sure of his ground and is pleased at the prospect that his speech and the Prime Minister's response to it may have the effect of bringing into the public arena the question which he thinks of major importance: how the country can adjust to the pros-pect of long-term high unemployment.

Last night Mr Nicholas Last night Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, joined in the debate, saying that Mr Pym had caused a sensation by proclaiming a few home truths. It was considered amazing for a Cabinet Minister to say that living standards might fall and that many things were outside the many things were outside the control of governments.

control of governments.

Mr Edwards said that Mr
Pym had been crinicizing the
kind of unrealistic expectation
that was aroused when Mr
Peter Shore, Opposition
spokesman on the economy,
suggested in the Commons
that the Government might
borrow £6,000m to reflace the
economy without forcing
interest rates up.

Mr Edwards also confessed

interest rates up.

Mr Edwards also confessed to increasing optimism; he saw increasing signs of a breakthrough and the uprum in industrial production was an encouraging sign that recovery had begun.

"Though we are living through a desperately difficulty."

it was out of line with through a desperately difficult what Treasury ministers had period in which living been saying and contained unfortunate sentences.

She appears to have recog. Expectations will be dashed, we nized that Mr Pvm was saying have begun to put our house something which he thought in order and we will emerge important, but described him from this recession into a as a pessimist.

Up to last night, however, we have done in the past," he these decided and critical said.

New weapon destined for Europe

Reagan seeks funds for chemical warfare

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Feb 4

Among the budget proposals example, likes to point out that which President Reagan will it took the United States half send to Congress on Monday a century before it ratified the is expected to be an unwelcome 1925 Geneva protocol banning combshell for his European

opment of a new nerve gas for chemical warfare. Although he may not formally approve the production of binary chemical weapons, the clear implication behind his request is that production will begin in the next year or so.

The reason why his request will create unease in Nato is that the weapons—like the neuron bomb—are designed primarily for use in Europe and not the United States, although the Administration insists they would not be deployed in Europe without prior consultation.

The United States is likely to try to offset another wave of anti-American sentiment in Europe by proposing more talks on a treaty to eliminate all chemical weapons in all countries. Such an approach— preparing to build weapons in the future while at the same time expressing willingness to negotiate their abolition — is similar to the American tactics on reducing medium-range missiles in Europe at the current

Geneva talks. The United States and the Soviet Union have been negotiating to prohibit the development, production and stock-piling of chemical weapons since 1976. Negotiations have also been taking place in Geneva within the disarmament

conference. However, the view of many Nato countries is that a decision to go abead with binary chemical weapons would have a severely adverse effect on European public opinion. In particular, it is feared it could renew opposition to Nato's plan to deploy 572 Pershing 2 and eround-based cruise missiles in

Chemical warfare is an emotive subject and one that is easily exploited for propaganda purposes by the East and West. The Soviet Union, for

1925 Geneva protocol banning the use of chemical agents in llies. warfare. (This protocol forbids
The President is to ask first use of such weapons, but Congress to approve a big in not their production or stock-crease in funds for the devel-President Nixon ended the

production of chemical weapons in America in 1969, although large stockpiles have been retained both there and in Europe. Despite that decision small amounts of money were allocated for research and development during the subsequent decade.

Last year, the chemical weapons budget doubled to \$455m (£245m) and President Reagan is expected to ask for almost twice that amount, \$810m, for 1983. According officials the Administration has projected a budget of \$1.400m for such weapons by 1984.

Congress has already voted \$23m for a binary weapons plant at Pine Bluffs in Arkansas. But American officials have assured Nato that construction of that factory does not commit the President to authorize actual production of weapons. Binary chemicals weapons

are so named because there two primary ingredients of the nerve gas which are kept separate, and therefore safe, until use. The two chemicals become lethal when they are mixed in flight in an artillery shell or bomb.

The gas comes in two forms. One, called G5, iscolourless and odourless and is lemal within a minute when inhaled. The other, called VX. is similar but hangs in the atmosphere for days to deny an area to enemy troops. Both kill by paralysis.

The justification for going ahead with the production of new chemical weapons is that they are needed to deter Soviet use of such weapons in West Europe. It is also argued they are safer to handle than existing premixed chemical weapons; which are beginning to deteriorate.

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TIMES

Train of thought: Lord McCarthy at Aslef headquarters with Mr Alan Meale, personal secretary to Mr Raymond Buckton, the union's general secretary.

'Fight to death' on railways By David Felton, Labour Reporter

Hopes that the train drivers' mion could be persuaded to of inquiry into the reil dispute were dashed last night when British Rail and the two other unions rejected a formula to gain the footplate men's cooperation.

The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen rold Lord McCarrhy, cheirman of the inquiry, that it would only attend if British Rail made a 3 per cent payment and the inquiry discussed ways of getting the dispute back into the industry's nego-tiating mechinery. Some industry sources were

predicting that the dispute could go on for a long time. "It's now a fight to the death", one said.

Earlier attempts had been been made to persuade the train drivers' union to co-operate with an inquiry into

£10m riots

money, is apparently foundering on the rock of the Ameri-

The company, conceived by Mr De Lorean to build a "dream car" for the American

The latest claim, also con-nected with that night of viol-

ence, is understood to relate

in part to damage caused by the destruction of company records relating to potential customers plus request for

compensation for loss of pro-

Interviewed by The Times in New York earlier this week

Mr De Lorean said he had

made a serious mistake in

launching his company in

ducing a management team because Englishmen would not work there. We grossly under

estimated the magnitude of the problem," he said.

Company premises had been fire-bombed 140 times and com-

pany executives had been shot

pany executaves had occur snot at by snipers many times. It is understood that the police have no record of any complaint from a company

executive complaining of having been shot at, and it appears that police records

show that the company was fire-bombed on only two

This does not mean that Mr

De Loreau is wrong in his

assessment for it may be that

during the two attacks 140

petrol bombs were thrown

The factory is in a neutral

zone between the Protestant

and Roman Catholic areas and

it is entirely feasible that

during the tense period of the

hunger strike shots exchanged

between the two communities

During that period more than 20,000 petrol bombs were

The company said last night

that 1,100 of its 2,600 workers

have been told their jobs finish next Friday. Their chances of finding skilled

work are slim. Other large employers in the province such as Shorts, Markies and Har-land and Wolff are shedding

inbs because of the recession. The loss of De Lorean jobs is

a massive blow to an economy

which is already precarious.

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towards the plant.

"We had a terrible time pro-

Belfast.

occasions

claim by

the rail dispute which yesterday closed the network for the twelfth time in four weeks. Lord McCarthy, the inquiry chairman, had spent two hours

with the seven executive mem-bers of Aslef who repeated that they were not prepared to give evidence to the inquiry under the current terms of Lord McCarthy last night reported that view to two colleagues on the committee

and officials of the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service, which called the inquiry. He then called British Rail,

the National Union of Railwaymen and the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association, who have all agreed to attend the inquiry to the Acas offices to explain the Aslef position. Aslef objects to the inclusion in the terms of reference of the introduction of the 39hour working week and the productivity understanding on flexible rostering. Lord McCarthy will have to

move quickly if he is ot get the inquiry established because the Aslef executive will be breaking up soon after lunch-time today with members returning to their regions. Lord McCarthy said after his meeting with the executive: "We are all extremely con-

scious of the need to make progress and move as swiftly as we can, but we want to get it right."

He apparently told the execu-tive that he was not there to pressurize them into joining the inquiry but to hear in detail why the union had decided against cooperating. British Rail again failed to run a service from Aylesbury to Marylebone. London, be-

to Marylebone, London, be-cause yesterday the NUR driver expected to take out the first

Mr Philip Asquith, chairman

of the Lucas shop stewards committee, said: "We have campaigned three times in the

past decade against redundan-

cies, and won each time. We shell continue to campaign

again.
"We do not intend Burnley

to become another ghost towa

in east Lancashire. Lucas made £6m profit over the last two years, and this should have

been used to help us over the

In the year to last July, Lucas Industries lost £21.4m before tax compared with

profits of £41m in 1980. But

the second-half showed pretax profits of £4m after charging

redundancy and closure costs of £19.2, so indicating that the worst of the cutbacks were

There has been an upturn on

lean times."

Attempts to run a limited service in the Rhondda Valley were also unsuccessful when NUR drivers at the Treherbert depot, Mid-Glamorgan, refused to cross Aslef picket lines.

train did not turn up. Aslef

had mounted a picket at Aviesbury in case any NUR members

attempted to take trains out.

The British Railways Board vesterday put off any decision on action against Aslef while there was still hope that the inquiry would get off the ground. British Rail will attempt to run a service on days when Aslef is not on strike although that may be

difficult next week with the union planning to hold stop-pages on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday. One option is for the board to suspend the 20,000 train drivers on Wednesday because a reasonable service will be impossible. BR nearly broke, page 2

Lucas Aerospace to shed 1,050 jobs By Business News Staff

De Lorean By Tim Jones The fabrications division of voluntary redundancy and Belfast early retirement.

Lucas Aerospace in Burnley, The Northern Ireland Office part of the Lucas Industries group is to make 1,050 of its 2,800 workers redundant in is investigating a claim for more than film in compensa-tion for riot damage from Mr John De Lorean, whose Belfastworkers redundant in May.
The company blames the based car manufacturing oper-ation, funded by more than £80m of British Government

world recession and cuts in defence spending which has hit the aerospace industry by re-ducing forward orders. The factory's biggest customer is Rolls-Royce, for whom it makes components for the

RB-211 engine used on Boeing 747 and Lockheed TriStar air-Burnley also makes parts for the Rolls-Royce RB-199. These are used on Tornado military aircraft flown by the Italian,

market, has already received £424,000 compensation out of a claim for £514,000 for fire damage caused to buildings at the plant last May when Republican feeling in West Belfast exploded after the death of Botby Sands, the hunger striker. diate problems. Further, any new contracts will have to be

West German and British air forces, which have all suffered orts in defence spending.
A statement issued by the company yesterday said: "In the recent past the company has been actively seeking to widen its markets and while a number of these projects offer potential for the future they provide no answer to the imme-

the vehicle equipment side, which bore all the closure costs last year and lost £45.3m. so was thought that the group could make about £50m this

wen against fierce international competition."

Lucas shed 10,267 jobs last place in the properties of the control of the properties of the control of the properties of the properties of the control of the properties of the properties of the control of the properties of the control of the properties of the properties

Power men reject 7% pay offer

power workers rejected a 7 per cent pay increase yesterday. The offer, from the Electricity Council, was said to be worth about 5; per cent on pay, with the remainder coming from a 10 per cent rise on payments for shift and unsocial hours.

The industry's manual workers have put in a claim for a 12 per cent pay rise with

improvements in holidays a cut in the present 37-hour working week, extra pay for long service and earlier retire-

Mr John Edmonds, General

and Municipal Workers' national energy officer and secretary of the union's negotiating team, said: "We rejected the offer. There was a long argument about financial pressures on the electricity industry and the substantial pro-ductivity improvements ou members have r:ade over the last 10 years. "The Electricity Council's

offer is no more than an open-

Leaders of Britain's 92,000

But the claim, which matched the rate of inflation, is now likely to be aimed at the miners' 9.3 per cent settle-

Surprise at MSC job switch

The Manpower Services. Commission has a new chairman to the surprise of both sides of industry. The appointment of Mr David Young, a former adviser to Sir Keith Joseph, is being widely interpreted as meaning that his popular predecessor. Sir Rich-ard O'Brien, whose present term of office ends in April, has been dismissed. Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, said last night that Sir Richard would

can only succeed with a chairman who has those same qualities ". A spokesman for the Confederation of British Industry would say only that the appointment is a matter for the minister—Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment and was his pre-

be missed and that the Man-

power Services Commission

rogative. . Privately, however, there was concern that the appointlisted in the 1981 Who's Who as director of the Centre for Policy Studies from 1979, was hardly a portent of a bright future for the commission. A spokesman for the Depart-

ment of Employment group of the Society of Civil and Public

Servants, which represents staff in the MSC, said: "Sir



Mr David Young: Solicitor and businessman

outspoken about the unem- was being cited as one reason movement crisis and about gov- for his replacement by Mr ernment cuts in training and Young, who is 49. services for the unemployed.

The Government obviously resents him having spoken the Universal Stores and chairman truth and prefers to have a yes man running the MSC."

Richard has clearly been too age-he will be 62 next week- Industry.

Mr Young, a solicitor, has been an executive with Great of a property company. He was appointed an industrial adviser Some people were also unat the Department of Industry in 1979 and is special adviser happy that there had been no consultation on the appoint to Mr Patrick Jenkin, the pre-ment and that Sir Richard's sent Secretary of State for

Smoking ban hotel banished by RAC

By Annabel Ferriman

A hotel has been refused a listing in the Royal Automobile Club's hotel guide because it caters only for non-smokers. The RAC, which lists hotels refusing to take dogs or children, says it cannot accept non-smoking hotels because many of its members smoke. many of its members smoke.

The Automobile Association objected to the hotel partly because it refused admission to smokers but also because it served only wholefoods—meat, fish, vegetables, egg and bread with no artificial colourings or preservatives.

The AA have, however, relented and agreed to inspect it because its third objection, that the hotel had fewer than 12 rooms, had not stopped it listing two other hotels in the

The Leahyrst Private Hotel-in Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, has been owned and run since October by Mr Arthur Hoff-man, an accountant, and his wife, Janet, a trained nurse.

Mrs. Janer, a trained unise.

Mrs. Hoffman worked as a night sister at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Surrey, one of Britain's leading cancer hospitals, and her experiences as a nurse made her a convinced non-smoker.

She persuaded her husband when they married to give up his 60 cigarettes a day which he had been smoking for 40 years, and both of them strongly dislike the smell of smoke.

Mr Hoffman is incensed by the attitude of the RAC. "They are discriminating against every non-smoker in the counevery non-smoker in the country. Up to now, men and women have had to put up with someone next to them puffing pipes and cigars. Now they have the chance of not having to do so, but the RAC will not hear about us."

The RAC's letter says: "The report indicates that Leabyrst Botel meets all our requirements for listing apart from the restriction on the accept-



"The Royal. Automobile Club cannot accept a hotel for listing or appointment which allows only non-smokers as guests as this would preclude its use by many of our mem-bers who are smokers."

A spokesman said yesterday that the RAC could not include the hotel because it did nor have a symbol which denoted non-smoking hotel. Britain now has at least 15

non-smoking botels, according to the anti-smoking group Action on Smoking and Health (Ash), some with such uncom-promising names as the Haven for Non-Smokers (Newquay, Cornwall) and the Non-smokers Guest House (Keswick, Cumbria).

There are at least four public houses with no-smoking rules, including one opened in Enfield, north London, in September, 1980, by Sir George Young, former Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, who was keen to promote the cause of non-smokers.

Others are situated at Andover, Hampshire, Rochdale, Laucashire, and Appletreswick, Yorkshire.

The Good Food Guide, which appears in March, will have a three-page section on restaurants which discourage smoking and the British Tourist Authority has symbols for restaurants with no-smoking areas. A spokesman for Ash said: "The RAC should create an

easily recognizable symbol to use in its guidebook rather than claim it has no symbol and so cannot list the suest house. "Now that a majority of adults in the United Kingdom no longer smoke cigarentes, organizations like the RAC should respond to this change

appropriately.

"The AA has done so, Two insurance companies, Sun Life, and Guardian Royal Exchange, both have life insurance schemes with preferential premiums for non-smokers; these were initiated by the AA's insurance brokers."

To non-smokers the RAC's nolicy does seem inconsistent. Perhaps it subscribes to the W. C. Fields sentiment: "Any hotel that bates dogs and children cannot be all bad".

Kagan back

Lord Kagan, the founder and chairman of Gannex-Kagan Textiles, who recently completed a prison sentence, signed the roll and took his seat again in the House of Lords yester-

to intervene where a local authority appears to be failing to provide a nationally agreed, guaranteed basic level of educational provision, the Commons Select Committee for Education, Science and the Arts says in its report on sec-ondary school curriculum and exami<u>nations</u>.

The report due to be pub-The report, due to be published on February 16, points out that at present there is no definition of the basic statutory provision that a local authority must make in order to comply with its duty, under Section 8 of the Act, to offer sufficient free education, suited to their age, ability and apritudes, for all children of school age in its area.

school age in its area.

The Secretary of State already had powers under Secvalidity of such judgments in respect of his own responsities where he was satisfied that they had acted "unreasonably" in respect of a power they were of duty, or where they were defaulting and powers under section to such judgments in respect of his own responsibilities under the Act.

It recommends that legislation of duty, or where they were sibility for the curriculum on sibility for the curriculum of the curriculum o defaulting on any duty, the

TEDOTT SAYS. However, the Department of Education and Science seemed to view those sections as dan-gerously punitive measures, difficult to enforce in the courts, and able to be used only in the last resort.

The Education Act 1944 charge his duty to promote levels of provision and quality should be amended to give the Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of the words of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of Secretary of State clear powers the words of Secretary of Secretar Act. We also believe that these provisions in the Act were designed precisely to avoid the necessity of parents taking their problems to the courts."

> State clear powers to intervene when a nationally agreed provision appears to be at risk. The committee believes that

> the education provided by a local authority is inadequate, and that the onus should be on the Secretary of State to say why he does not accept the validity of such judgments in

It recommends that legislation be introduced to put the Secretary of State's responsibility for the curriculum on that basis.

The committee also calls for HMI to be made much more independent of central government. To that end, it recomments mends that financial provision for it should be taken out of the Department of Education But the committee says:

"We see, rather, these sections of the 1944 Act as being part of the means by which the part of the means by which the Secretary of State may disappeared by HMI on national

or its 1982-83 total of £950m. The limit will therefore have

even tougher clawback meas-ures once the dispute is over

than were already envisaged by this year's very tight £950m

One obvious early casualty could be electrification of the East Coast main line from London to Newcastle for which

British Rail has successfully

flexible rostering.

There will also be increased

pressure to shut down loss-making branch lines and cut

back further on service levels in commuter and Inter-City

passenger business.
Freight services could be

Train driving from Aylesbury

Train driving from Aylesbury is not the biggest money spinner in the British Rail network. The Aslef branch secretary lives in a council house in Tring, six miles away. His recent pay slips show a maximum take home wage of £139

not like this sort of business

"This is a closed shop", Mr Norris said, "If the union calls

a strike, there is no option. We

cash limit

spector, and not with the Sec-retary of State as at present.

The committee does not believe the department's interpretations of the Act are doubt, it recommends the Act should be amended in such a way to give the Secretary of State clear powers to intervene

The allparty committee, chaired by Mr Christopher Price, Labour MP for Lewishham, West, said it had resisted the temptations are to the HM Inspectorate for on it by some witnesses, to Schools should decide when regard financial provision as the root of most of the diffi-culties facing schools. Difficulties were also caused by the falling number of pupils and unsuitably qualified teachers.

Turning to the loss of teaching jobs that will occur over the next few years, the comine next rew years, the com-mittee echoes Sir Keith Joseph's words, later with-drawn, when it says that the contraction should be achieved as far as possible by getting rid of the "less effective"

It calls on the Government It calls on the Government in conjunction with local authorities to draw up national criteria to enable authorities to "identify individual teachers for redunancy on the grounds of their importance for preserving the curriculum and their effectiveness as



An Army bomb disposal expert showing the 1,006 lb bomb defused in the border village of Camlough, south Armagh. An aerial photograph behind him shows the area which would have been affected had it exploded.

Rail strikes: What the pickets say

BR nearly broke

Intensification of the strike external finance limit of 5920m action by the Associated Society of Locomotive Engi-neers and Firemen next week to be eased either by additional grant or by allowing additional borrowing However, the Government may insist on is expected to worsen British Rail's cash outflow from about £18m to £20m. That leaves only another two weeks before British Rail runs over its short-term borrowing limit of £100m, and Government approval will be needed to extend it.

British Rail will be seeking a meeting with Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, to extend borrow-ing limits in order to pay wages and to keep the business going. The strike is estimated to have cost more than £70m in immediate cash so far or nearly £100m if longer term effects are taken into account. Extending the cash limit puts the Cabinet in a difficult position. On the one hand it wants British Rail, in common with other nationalized industries, to stay within external finance limits; on the other it wants the board to face up to the productivity issue in a way

that successive governments have been urging it to do for years. The latter view is con-firmed by the almost complete

want to stick it out and stay with rail. But the strikes have cost the freight business: firmed by the almost complete filsm already and will add up isolation of Aslef at present.

In fact, the strike means that there is already no chance of British Rail hitting its 1981-82 formight.

How rotas work in Europe

With Italian drivers a great a exception, worse even than eig Aslef, other European coun. wa tries employ flexible rostering

A survey by The Times of four other European countries showed that France had the

Rail proposal for working between seven and nine hours a day in a 39-hour working week. Such a system would be no-more efficient and could lead to loss of jobs, the union says.

a driver to spend half his eight-hour shift unproductively waiting for the next train. British Rail maintains that flexible rostering would be a step towards improving productivity. The following is an outline of the work pattern for

Britain: Basic working week of 40 hours, although that would be reduced to 39 if flexible rostering is accepted. brivers work on average four hours' overtime a week for a pay packet of £140. It is hard to estimate how much of an inch the part of the p ht-hour shift is spent productively, but it is anywhere between three and six hours on average. There are two unions for rail drivers with about 97 per cent of the 26,000 drivers members of Aslef.

France: 39-hour working Drivers work no oversime on principle because extra hours on duty compensated with sine off. The only exception is eight hour night shift. Rosters are usually worked our

on the picket line at Doncaster railway station were in their forties and fifties, greying rather tranquil people, the kind of men one is glad to have at the controls of one's express train. Among them one detected a quiet confidence that they were right, the British Railways Board was wrong and a grim determing-

wrong and a grim determina-tion to prove their point.

strike because it would have

meant a short dispute causing least pain to employees, passengers and industry and told their national executive so in a resolution at the outbreak of

They gather daily, covering each 24 hours in what is a token picket. Only two footplatemen at Doncaster are in the National Union of Railway-

men and they do not try to cross the picket line. The men started picketing in front of the

station main entrance but have

been moved twice because of

complaints about their brazier which they believe are management inspired. At their third location, surrounded by five feet high rubbish bins, 50 yards

From time to time people stop to hand over money in

support of the strike.

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who have

They only wanted an all out

compensated with time off in other weeks. Most drivers work an eight-hour day with a maxi-mum of 12 hours. Drivers belong to three unions. Trains which travel at speeds exceeding 140kph have two drivers rwise one man in cab.

repudiated.

Mr Kenneth Livingstone, leader of the Greater London Council, and Mr Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth council, in a front-page statement in Labour Herald, of which they are editors, said the Bishop's Stortford pact was justifiably worrying the party's rank and file and had added to confusion among the left. Switzerland: 44-hour work ing week. There is very little overtime, except in exceptional circumstances. If a driver works more than 10 hours day he is compensated with time off and extra pay. The maximum overtime for which there is payment is 150 hours a year. Drivers spend about two-thirds of their time productively. Whatever agreement was reached there it has no authority or validity in the movement. There can be no compromise with the rightductively.

Italy: The railway works union makes no secret of low comparative productivity. All railway workers are supposed to work a 40-hour week. An engine driver's everage week, however, is under 30 hours because of difficulty in organizing shifts. Landarious includes ban on two consecutions includes the statement of the statement of

mortgages and other financial

commitments." Another said: "The feeling Another said: "The feeling of most men is that they would rather do without the 3 per cent than accept flexible rostering. We have had no complaints from the membership about the strike. They are with it to the end."

Another said: "I do not think the public really knows what this dispute is about. We have people constantly coming to us asking exactly this...

"Even under the existing

Even under the existing system we can have arranged to take the wife out knowing we were off duty at 8 pm and when we come off, we discover we are on duty again from 2 am next day to 10 am. The wife is silting there waiting to be taken out."

One man tried to explain the complicated business of days in lieu. "Take Good Fri-day. They would owe us a day, in her of the bank holiday, but under their new flexible rostering system we would only be awed six hours and that is one reason why we want to maintain the guaranteed day."

The men were aggrieved by the allegations of fiddling made by two young members of Aslef last week. One stid: "They have obviously had a bir of something going on down South but it does not apply at Doncaster. The trouble is they get a parbrush and paint every-body the same from one end of the country to the other."

In the Doncaster area there are many "merrygoround" trains feeding power stations with coal. One picket said: "If they are going to alter them so we can run on a seven-hour diagram I should like to see it. They will not do it. It is not possible because trains never run the same two days together."

What then is the answer?

of management was interrupted by one of the bickets who suggested: "If they are not careful there will be no drivers left. There were 90,000 in 1955. There are now 24,000

David Court, Doncaster branch secretary of Asief: "I have common with most trade unionists in dispute the Dou-caster men are shy about giv-ing their names. One grey-haired man said: "I would never known the men more determined. The members are 100 per cent behind the strike. on an all out strike tomorrow ing their names. One grey—It is a pity because nobody haired man said: "I would likes kicking the public in the have preferred strong action teeth but we have no elternative in a hotbed of Trotskyism from the outset but I suppose tive in this dispute. The rail-

State homes Livingstone | project for elderly

The first experiment in State terday with a demand from the far-left that the Bishop's Stortford truce should be

friends.

As a start, three homes will be established, at Ricctwood, Portsmouth and Sheffseld, at a

health authornies and the Department of Health

wing on questions of policy or the which sunts which were started by the leadership last Behind the attack is the farleft's anger at Mr Michael Foot, the Shadow Cabinet and Labour MPs for their reluc-tance to give our ghr support to the train drivers in dispute with British Rail...

Freedom to wed for

step-parents sought

Liberal peer, yesterday intro-duced a, Bill in the Lords

which would make it unneces-sary for couples who stand in the relationship of step parents

and step-children to go through

the expensive procedure of obtaining an Act of Parliament to authorize their marriage.

Two such applications for personal Bills are before the

ords and are due for exam-

ination by the Personal Bills

Committe (chairman, Lord Aberdare) on February 16. In the past couples who have been

compelled to apply for such

Bills have said that it costs up

such marriages are debarred

by what are known as the

in ecclesiastical law from the Book of Levinicus, set out in the Marriage Acr, 1949. The couples need a separate Acr of Parliament to exempt them

from the law.
Lord Lloyd, who is a barrister, fras wide support for his proposed Bill which would

enable couples to apply for leave to marry to the Family Division of the High Court or to any county court in the jurisdiction of which either

party to the marriage resides.

Before granting leave to marry, the Bill states that the

marry, the still states that the rount would have to be satis-fied on three counts that neither party had by his or her conduct caused or contri-

wants to

repudiated.

end truce-

By Philip Webster Political Reporter The Labour Party's uneasy

prohibited degrees. deriving

Lord Lloyd of Kilgerran, a buted to the cause of a dis-

solution of any previous mar-riage of the other party; that at no time prior to the appli-cation had the parties lived together in a family during the minorary of the stepchild; and

that the intended marriage is

for the welfare of the parties concerned.

The court would also have to take account of various circumstances, including the

age of the parties; the income

earning capacity, property and other financial interests of the

parties; the financial needs and obligations of the parties

after marriage; and the physical or mental disability of

A petition for another Bill that is to come before the

Lords committee concerns a

man's appeal to be declared the father of an illegitimate

child, a boy aged 6. His claim has been the subject of pre-

vious legal proceedings.
Lord. Harmar-Nicholls. a.
Conservative peer, said vesterday that there was a danger
that personal Bills of this kind
could be used to get publicity
He said he would write to

He said he would write to the Lords Procedure Commit-tee and the authorities of the House to see if some safe-guards could be introduced. The purpose of the commit-tee proceedings on February 16 is to decide whether the Bills should be allowed to proceed. Each Bill, if it goes ahead, will need a sponsor in both Houses.

Although Labour's national executive committee passed a resolution last week backing the Associated Society of Loco-motive Engineers and Fremen. motive Engineers and Firemen, the Parliamentary Labour Party agreed with a shadow cabinet proposal not to press for a debate, a decision which the newspaper described in a leading article as extraordinary.

"As the parliamentary range to ensure that the care provided in these homes kept pace with the needs of the residents, and the overall pattern of services for old people document would be proposing a code of practice which local authorities.

As the parliamentary repre-sentatives of our party, the PLP should have considered it their duty to use their position to make party policy known to the House and to the public at large."

After seeing a copy of Labour Herald yesterday, Mr

Foot said he regarded its call for repudication of the truce as unrepresentative. The full endorsement of the agreement by the NEC last week was far more significant, he said. He was still convinced that a Commons debate would not help to settle the rail dispute. in their statement Mr Living-stone and Mr Knight said that Labour must take sides with every struggle against the Government. It must stand alongside the train drivers and the men striking against redundancy at Bathgate and BL.

 Mr Kevin McNamara; Labour MP for Kingston upon Hull, Central, was appointed to the Opposition Front Bench yesterday as a defence and disarmament spokesman under Mr. John Silkin (our Political Staff writes). He replaces Mr Peter Snape who moves to the Home Affairs team under Mr. Roy Hattersley, in place of Mr George Cunningham, who sits as an independent after resign- on its nuclear reading the Labour whip last year. system.

run nursing homes for the elderly was announced yester day by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services as part of a new initiative to move old people out of long-stay geniatric wards into small local units so that they can be close to family and

cost of £1.1m with an annual running cost of £720,000. Two of the homes will open in the next 18 mouths and the third

shortly afterwards.
Each, home is expected to house about 30 old people and will be run as part of the National Health Service. They will be financed jointly by the

The experimental homes are The experimental homes are part of a package of more Government help for the elderly. Other proposals include a new registration system for voluntary and private homes, which it is estimated now house about 56,000 people. Mr Fowler told the Commons yesterday during a debate on pensionera that these was a need to easure that the care proto ensure that the care pro-

would be proposing a code of practice which local authorities might apply to encourage improvement in conditions.

Mr. Fowler also announced. increased grants to voluntary organizations helping the elderly Airendy £300,000 had elderly. Aiready £300,000 had ben allocated this year, and there, would now be an additional £100,000 to organizations, such as Age Concern, the Centre for Policy on Ageing. Contact, which provided companionship for elderly house bound people, and to the Employment Feliowship.

Two other proposals announced by Mr Fowler were arrangements to improve financial and policy accountability in the NHS and additional resources of £10m, planned for next year, for joint financing of warious projects by the NHS and additional projects by the NHS and wall projects by the NHS.

and voluntary organizations.
Parliamentary report, page 6
Frank Johnson, back page END OF LINE FOR

DREADINOUGHT HMS Dreadnought, Britain's

oldest unclear-powered sub-marine will be taken our of service later this year after 19 years with the fleet (Henry Sanhope writes). The 4,000-ton submarine is at Chatham dockyard for work on its nuclear reactor's cooling

Journalists in jobs plea

By Our Labour Staff The National Union of Jour- no redundancy programme in nalists has asked Mr Norman effect. On The Similar Times Tebbit, Secretary of State for where 10 journalists are to Employment, to investigate whether Times Newspapers was been agreed with the editor, in breath of employment protein lamidation in its plans. in breach of employment pro-tection legislation in its plans to reduce the editorial staffs of The Times and The Sunday

Mr Kennath Ashton, general secretary, has written to the minister claiming that the company did not inform the union of the impending cuts of 35 journalists jobs on the two newspapers, which it believes could be a breach of the Employment Protection Act, 1975. A spokesman for the com-pany said Mr Gerald Long, managing director of TNL, would be replying to a letter he had received from Mr Ashton, after taking advice on various legal questions. He said the company was not in-volved in a redundancy pro-gramme for journalists but the editors of the new necessaries. editors of the two newspapers had been asked to assess their

staffing needs.

The company did not believe it had an obligation to consult the union because there was

The union has also asked Mr

Tebbir if he was informed of what it sees as planned redundancies because NUJ officials believe, that the Act requires companies to give the minister 30 days' notice of redundancies involving ten or more people.

One of the sanctions available to Mr Tebbit, if there have been breaches of the relevant sections of the Act, would be to reduce by 10 per cent the company's rebate from the Redundancy Payment, Fund which helps companies to offset the cost of redundancies. Mr Ashore has asked Mr Long for an ungent meeting to discuss the issue Mr Long said last night . "I think the NUI is quite right to worry about the employment of journalists but the matter they

Science report Bent light

discovery puzzles scientists

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

Astronomers have dis-covered a third gravitational lens, a place in the universe in which light from a distant galaxy or other object is bent as it passes through a strong gravitational field. Scientists cannot understand why more have not been found.

Although the effect was predicted by Einstein in predicted by Einstein in 1936, it was not observed until 1979. The latest discovery was made by Dr Daniel Weedman of Pennsylvania State University and Dr Ray Weymann of the University of Arizona. They identified the lens with the 3.6-metre telescope at the Mauna Kea telescope at the Mauna Kea observatory in Hawaii, and confirmed the existence of the phenomenon with the special 4-metre multiple mirror telescope at the Kitt Peak National Observatory,

Peak National Unservatory,
Arizona.

A gravitational lens is
recognized by the curious
image it leaves on a photographic plate recording
observations of a small section of the sky. The image
shows two distinct but identical objects extremely close
together. Doctors Weedman
and Weymann found such a together. Doctors Weedman and Weymann found such a pair of images after the camera on the relescope had taken a long exposure aicture of two quasar objects with maintuides of approximately 19.5 and 21.

A 21st magnitude star is about one million fimes fainter than that which can be seen unaided by the human eye; on a clear night the eye can see a star as faint as the sixth magnitude.

The explanation for the twin image is that before reaching an observer, the light from the quasar is solit by some other massive object between it and the astrono-

between it and the astrono-mer. The bent light passing through either side of the gravitational source, reaches the observer from two slightly different directions to give the impression than In a report to the American Astronomical Society at the weekend, the astronomers express puzzlement. They say that the survey techniques used to discover this object have located over

1,000 quasars, and they would expect the effect of ound more often. To proze conclusively that they have found a gravita-tional lens, a search is to be made for the material that is causing the gravitationa

CHANGING WITH 'THE TIMES'

The Western Daily Press, the regional morning newsformally benished from the shelf of Avon's 57 branch libraries yesterday and replaced by The Times.

The Labour-controlled county council voted by 37 to 28 to order The Times instead, at an additional cost each year of more than f1,000, ignoring allegations from the regional newspaper that the move would be "cheap political spite—a cowardly way of avoiding critisism."

In a leading article, The Western Daily Press, which sells 20,000 copies in Avon, admined that it was a regular craic of the Labour authority but said that The Times, what ever its merits, did not provide a local service of sport, news, advertising or regional com-ment.

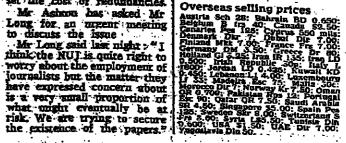
The community leisure com-

oittee which recommended mittee which recommended that the full council replace The Western Daily Press, said that The Times contained a great deal of "factual information and rational reporting", and its provision was the best way to broaden the scope of information available to the Avon public.

QUICK CHANGES AT TOP OF BBC

The BBCs rop jobs switch announced last month will be completed soon after Easter, Sir Ian Trethowau, directorgeneral, said yesterday. Mr Bill Couton, deputy managing director, television, becomes immediately director of de-tellopment and joins the board of management.
From April 13, Mr Alasdair
Milne, director general designate, moves to Broadcasting House from the Television Centre Mr Richard Francis (managing director, radio), Mr Aubrey, Singer (managing director, television), Mr Alan Protheroe (assistant director-general) and Mr Michael Checkland (director of re-sources, television) take up their new posts on the same water. date.

CORRECTION Derek Dougan was a Northern Ireiami nor a Scottish football international, as stated in a report



Moderates: Confident of victory

From Paul Routledge Labour Editor, Aylesbury

The quiet footplatemen of Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, spoke in defence of their picketing that frustrated British Rail's second attempt to run passenger services to London during yesterday's rail strike.

Still blinking in the concentrated glare of media attention focused on one of the least militant branches of the Associated Society of Locomtive Engineers and Firemen, they insisted that they would win the drawn-out dispute over flexible restering flexible rostering. It is clearly this issue that of us if they increase the has brought out the 21 men at number of trains."

Aylesbury, rather than British Rail's refusal to pay a 3 per cent wage rise. Until this dispute, these Aslef members were, if anything notorious for their moderation rather than their willingness to take industrial mum take home wage of £139 action. They were rebuked by a week, when extra overtime ution head office for refusing to join in the TUC * day of action * on May 1, 1980.

Mr Roy Norris, aged 54, a

was available. For a "normal"
48-hour week, including Sunday
work, he earns £91 net, and for
a flat 40 hours it falls to £78 Mr Roy Norris, aged 54, a chubby, talkative driver, argued: "I am 100 per cent behind the union on this issue. If they were calling a purely political strike, I would be at work. But this has to do with the strike is the strik driver, net.

oer cent Mr Norris admits: "We do
ber cent of business

behind the union on this issue. If they were calling a purely political strike, I would be at work. But this has to do with us. We are the losers."
His colleague, Mr Ernie Little, aged 47, said: "There is no money here; even management admitted that two years ago."
Mr Alf Bryant, branch secretary for the last decade, aged 45, was the picket whose don't cross " request sent a National Union of Railwaymen driver home on Wednesday, when British Rail first tried to introduce a service on an Aslef strike day. He was back on the picket line yesterday, when picket line yesterday, when three of the four NUR drivers were "too ill" to report for duty. By lunchtime, British Rail abandoned its plans to run five have to come out."
The three drivers who agreed communter services to and from Marylebone. to talk to The Times yesterday all thought there was in Doncaster and they wanted something more to British a full-blooded strike which.

Mr Breant insisted that any Mr Bryant insisted that the Branch would Rail's productivity proposed unanimously reject the flexible than the existing package of change and they believed that not work at this depot—not with the type of service we operate. And they pleased that the management would eventually seek split shifts—" making us come to work operate. And they already have for one day's pay ".

flexible rostering, and can Pinned up in the drivers' flexible rostering and can diagram us for 8 hours and 55 diagram us for 8 hours and 55 signing-on office on the plat-minutes. They can get more out form at Aylesbury is a copy of

for train drivers, the system at the centre of the dispute between British Rail and the Associated Society of Loco-motive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef).

most flexible system with train drivers productively employed for between four and nine hours a day in a 39-hour workmade a case under the "Wal-ters formula", giving produc-tivity improvements including ing week.

If a driver works for five hours one day he may work 10 the next to compensate. Aslef has rejected a British

affected also although one of lead the heartening aspects of the tays. In dispute is the widespread assurances from British Rail's also for the freight customers that they drive hours lo West Germany there is

Marylebone yesterday as BR's plan to run strike-breaking trains failed again.

goards were unhappy about the agreement on changes in work-

ing patterns agreed on their behalf by NUR leaders.

The men insisted they were already flexible in their artitude to work. "We book on at any minute of the day or night, as we are required by management", Mr Little said. "All they do is give no sight."

"All they do is give us eight hours work. And this is what we are prepared to do."

Militants:

Prefer all

out strike

From Ronald Kershaw Doncaster

The 340 members of the Don-

caster branch of the Associated

Society of Locomotive En-

gineers and Firemen never

wanted the kind of strike in

which they are now taking part.

They rarely do things by half

a full-blooded strike which,

they claim, would have ended

the dispute a few weeks ago. They are prepared to embark on an all out strike tomorrow

with young hotheads tearing you have to round distributing militant younger end

the NUR union journal which details two votes of "no confidence" in the union's general secretary, Mr Sidney Weignell by branches at Stockport and Gravesend. The drivers said yesterday that many of the stockport and yesterday that many of the stockport and fifties. Greying rather tranquil people, the kind yesterday that many of the stockport and fifties.

In West Germany there is sine off. The only exception, included ban on two consecutations flexible rostering, although its eight-flour night shifts and a kingle of drivers work on average eight. Rosters are usually worked out four and a half huns, at the hours a day, and in Switzer four to six months in advance controls for a single journey in allow long-term planning of two thirds of their time at the timerables, in theory efficient hours for a return journey, controls or preparing their trains.

Although no average can be given for train drivers in working week. The maximum two hours a day at the conBritain, it is not uncommon for its 55 hours and that would be

What then is the answer?
To get rid of inefficient management? "Now you are genting nearer to it", one said.

The subsequent denigration feet high rubbish bins, 50 yards from the station entrance, they discuss the latest moves in the dispute, joke among themselves and drink tea provided by NUR who is going to rum all these colleggues.

The last word went to Mr

ways board has brought this

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Union clash with charity over mental patients

A dispute flared yesterday between a nurses' union and Oakwood hospital, in Kent, to MtND, the mental health charity, over a case to be be transferred, was short of heard in Strasbourg today in 50 nurses. However, Mr which the Government again stands accused of denying should not be in Broadmoor rights to mental patients.

The Confederation of Because of Section 141 his

rights to mental patients, The Confederation The Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse), which represents hundreds of psychiatric nurses, yesterday accused MIND of making serious errors in the publicity material it issued about the case. Mr Albert Spanswick, the union's general secretary, challenged the charity to retract its statements "otherwise the quality of their entire evidence in support of the Covernment went ahead their case must be upen to Strasbourg, where MIND of

serious doubt".

The case, which will be heard by the European Commission of Human Rights, concerns the right of mental patients to sue documents.

The case must be open to the Government went ahead to Strasbourg, where MIND will be arguing that the United Kingdom is in breach of the European Convention on Human Rights.

The union is objective tors and the convention of the union is objective. mental patients to sue doc-tors and nurses over detention, brutality or, indeed, anything. At present they are prevented by law from doing so unless they can show that said yesterday there was a person acted in bad faith never a national ban, simply and without reasonable care, advice to the effect that when and unless they can get the a patient constituted a danger permission of a High Court to himself and others because

dge.

of a lack of resources
MIND hopes to change members should refuse to that. Cohse, the union, how-ever, believes that staff must be protected from violent the concern of staff over the

patients and that Section 141 possible consequences of of the Mental Health Act should not be weakened.

The Government seems to agree with the union and has resisted strong pressure from the charity, which campaigns criminal liquid compensation of patients without sufficient facilities", he said.

"In 1980 my union took 126 cases of horrifying violence inflicted upon staff to the charity, which campaigns criminal liquides Compensation Board."

Mr. Simon Hebdisch, as a staff over the patients without sufficient facilities", he said. for patients' rights, to change the law in amending legis-lation going through Parlia-said the union was splitting "We have always

Today's case concerns Mr
John Ashingdane, a patient who was kept in Broadmoor special hospital for two extra years because local Cohse understaffing, which was spinting hairs. "We have always have always acknowledged the difficult who was spinting hairs. "We have always acknowledged the difficult who was spinting hairs." We have always acknowledged the difficult who was spinting hairs. "We have always acknowledged the difficult work and the effects of years because local Cohse branches were refusing or threatening to refuse to nurse patients subject to restriction orders.

Hospital tries the Star Trek technique

From Pearce Wright Science Editor, Oxford

Followers of television's Star Trek programme are used to seeing the doctor on the spaceship Enterprise instantly diagnosing some instantly diagnosing some mysterious disease, by discovering a deficiency or excess of the body's chemistry from a hand-held microcomputer with which he scens the particular. Because of Section 141 his scans the patient.

That idea has moved from fiction into fact with the development of a machine which can identify the imbalance of biochemicals in the body without exploratory surgery, blood analysis or, indeed without touching the patient at all

patient at all.

The apparatus being tested at the Radcliffe hospital, Oxford, weighs ten hundredweight, yet it measures incredibly tiny magnetic fields of individual atoms within separate cells of a particular separate. particular organ in the body. Within a minute the Top-ical Magnetic Resonant machine produces a bio-chemical assay that is obtained now only from analysing a tissue specimen

The union is objecting to the claim by MIND that the union was operating "a total ban" on the transfer of special hospital patients to local hospitals. Mr Spanswick said yesterday there was never a national ban, simply white to the effect the said. in a laboratory.

The device is a long way from providing the instant total body chemistry picture achieved in fiction. But it is revealing deficiencies in the tissues of patients suffering nurse.
"MIND cannot understand rom various muscle diseases and provides information to control the treatment of kidney failures, diabetis and

thyroid deficiencies.

A more powerful version will be ready by the end of the year to allow examinations of the brain.

They unravelled the struc-ture and function of chemicals involved in different processes at work in parts of the body.

The present machine in clinical use cost about clinical use cost about £250,000 and the larger version, for scanning the whole body, about £350,000. precisely why we took action against the area health auth-ority and the department, The equipment is made by the Oxford Instrument Com-



Peter Jay, chairman of TV/AM which will provide the independent television breakfast service from early 1983, with a model of the studios on the site near the Regent's Canal at Camden Town, London, yesterday.

Murray's pensions plea

By Lorna Bourke

rapid period of de-industriali-

Pension fund managers major financial institutions. should invest more money in Between 1978 and the first British industries, Mr Len half of 1979, pension funds Murray, general secretary of more than trebled the pro-the TUC, said at a pensions portion of their available conference yesterday. cash flow invested abroad." "The nation's pension The money is helping Brifunds must bear at least part tain's competitors build furof the blame for the most ther on their advantages.

"Pension scheme members. zation in Britain's history", employers, pensioners and he said. "Since abolition of indeed the funds themselves exchange controls in October have a common interest in 1979 there has been a flood reviving the British econof overseas investment by the omy," he said.

The Tebbit Bill

TUC battle lines in disarray

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

policy pot.

One simple test must be applied to the trade union leaders on all sides of the labour movement who have exploded so belligerently about the Government's latest employment-law reforms: can they provide effective opposition?

It is the Cabinet's calculated gamble that they can-not, and that both Mr James Prior's 1980 Employment Act and Mr Norman Tebbit's Bill now embarking on its parliamentary passage will remain on the statute book.

The assumption has so far paid off. The changes have not wrought havoc on the scale of the ill-fated 1971 Industrial Relations Act. labour legislation) demurred There are two main reasons and insisted on it going into for this: the recession bas done most of the work that might otherwise have been entrusted to the lawyers; and the legislation did not offer such a handy lever for opposition as state regis-tration of the unions did under the Heath laws.

The TUC has organized a successful boycott of state funds for secret ballots on industrial action and the election of union leaders. But it has failed to generate any rangible or widespread sense of grievance on the shop

Mr Tebbit's latest set of proposals brought forth a predictable tirade of abuse but few practical proposals to prevent their application. The TUC seeks an extended boycott to take in the suggestion that there should suggestion that there should be periodic testing of employees opinion on existing closed shops and Govern-ment-funded ballots on wage

offers.

It seems likely that it will succeed in bolding the line on this form of non cooperation; the TUC carthorse is never more successful than when dragging its feet for a purpose. But on the wider political and economic front, the TUC's show of unity is a shaky facade, and it crumbled when put to the test last week.

The mighty Transport and under-unionized sectors such mouth car General Workers wants the as white-collar employment, members.

trade union movement to pull could Mr Terry Duffy, prestout of the National Economic dent of the engineering Development Council and the workers, deliver his memother myriad tripartite bodies bers, as he appeared to on which TUC representatives sit down with the Government and employers. Sure, it was the left-wing-led when the report of the TUC engineering union, the Employment Policy Communities retaining this arrives the 1971 Act but it is Employment Policy Com-mittee retaining this option went to the full general council five days ago, there was a scene when Mr Len against the 1971 Act, but it is less than a year since the union's existing moderate leadership was leaning on delegates to the annual policy Murray, the general secretary, described pulling out of "Neddy" as irrelevant. Mr Bill Keys, chairman of the committee and leader of the print union Sogat (which has making conference to accept state money for the engineers' election ballots in defiance of the TUC's first and most critical boycott.

a track record of political strikes against Conservative Had those lay delegates followed the advice of their leaders (they did not) the floodgates would have opened for widespread defiance of the Congress antagonism against Mr. Brief. This political response will now be considered, along with various proposals for "national" strikes, when the TUC Employment Committee reconvenes on February 18 to onism against Mr Prior's legislation. It therefore requires a major effort of imagination to fit the engineering workers into the hard-line posture of the left. line posture of the left.

discuss what industrial action may be called in the event of a group of workers coming under threat from the Tebbit Behind the televised lineup of union thetoric lies a laws. The view of Mr David Basnett's General and Mucertainty of purpose overlaid by an uncertainty over strat-egy. As old-fashioned custod-ians of their members' subnicipal Workers' Union and some others is that stoppages should be called right across scriptions, union leaders know what they want to do an industry in response to such "attacks." They want such "attacks." They want but cannot yet agree how to the TUC to have some do it. It is unlikely that they coordination responsibility in calling such disputes. Congress House staff are unhappy at this prospect, argugress House staff are un-happy at this prospect, argu-ing that TUC central funds organization equal to the could be put at risk.
There is also an organizathreat to their funds.

tional consideration. It would probably not be beyond the Mr Murray has laid down: probably not be beyond the bounds of rank-and-file militancy for the TGWU to deliver a national dock strike trade unionists from exercise if there is any repetition of cases such as the jailing of the "Pentouville Five" dockers in 1972 for contempt of take the consequences that previous Tory legislation and flow from that." The transits institutions. A stoppage of port workers go further, train drivers, or miners, or arguing that "some form of steel process workers or industrial action would be printworkers may also be efective". So far, it is jaw-envisaged in such circum- jaw. It will be next winter Stances.

But quite apart from the under-unionized sectors such mouth can follow with their

Milk banks for babies defended

From Our Correspondent

A leading consultant in child medicine has rejected allegations that premature habies may die if they are fed from breast-milk banks.

Claims were made in The Lancet, that milk given by nothers and stored in milk banks could cause fatal infections if given to very small babies

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Dr David Baum is honorary consultant in paediatrics at the Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, where he relies on the hospital's own milk bank to feed hundreds of premature babies each

Dr Baum, who was ap-pointed by Oxford University to specialize and research in child medicine, rejects the allegations about breast milk banks, which appeared in a letter to The Lancet from Dr Herbert Barrie, a consultant puediatrician at the Charing Cross Hospital, London. Dr Barrie likened instances of giving babies other moth-

er's milk to giving blood transfusions. He claims that some babies may be incom-patible to different milk. Dr Baum replies: "This Dr Baum replies: "This comparison is particularly He says that "Dr Barrie

has not helped the pro-gression towards a sounder basis in the care of low-birth

Motorway protest appeal fails

An attempt to force the There had been a good deal Secretary of State for Transof upset and disturbance port to order a fresh inquiry when the public inquiry into into orders and schemes approved for the M25 motorway between Wisley and Leatherhead failed in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

and not the union."

Dismissing appeals by two local objectors, Mr Reginald both of Ashtead, Lord Den-ning, Master of the Rolls, said he had great sympathy for them but their case was not well-founded in law.

The objectors claimed that a public inquiry in 1978 into side-road orders and compulsory purchase orders for the land needed was a "complete procedural mess-up".

They appealed against the dismissal of a previous application by Mr Mayes, a chartered electrical engineer and chairman of the Leather- going to do so.
head-Ashtead Motorway He cited the case brought head-Ashtead Motorway Protest Group, by Mr Justice Hodgson last July.

judge had erred in law in not holding that there had been a breach of natural justice by

TV debate could decide result

By Frances Gibb

There had been a good deal The inspector sought guid-

Lord Denning said the minister was entitled not to consider such objections and could tell the inspector beforehand that he was not

by Miss Lesley Lovelock against the North-east sec-Mr R. A. Sears, QC, for the tion of the protestors, argued that the years ago. tion of the motorway two

about the line of the motor- tion she made at the first way between Wisley and inquiry. It seems to me", Leatherhead or on exhaust Lord Denning said, "that if a pollution.

Giving judgement, Lord a first inquiry the inspector

Denning said that local would be quite entitled to
people felt that the M25 rule that we can't go into
section between Ashtead and that again. It seems that that Leatherhead would diminish applies in our particular or destroy the amenities case."

when the public inquiry into the side road orders opened in May, 1978, and the inspector had been unable to proceed with the inquiry, he

ance from Mr William Rodgers, then Secretary of State for Transport, who said a reconsideration of the route was unnecessary. The inspector then said he would hear evidence only on the issue which had arisen since June, 1978. It was that decision which was the subject of the appeal.

would adhere to what I

said then...the main ques-tion is whether Miss Lovethe inspector's refusal to lock was entitled to open the hear evidence and admissions second inquiry for the objec-about the line of the motor-tion she made at the first

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From Richard Ford, Dublin

The result of the Irish General election could hinge on a "presidential" style television debate between the party leaders, which is a planned to be broadcast two days before polling day.

With less than two weeks before polling, and with all three parties just beginning their campaigns, there are clear indications that the runaway victory predicted for Fianna Fail may not materialize.

Early canvassing returns suggest that a considerable number of the nation's 2.2 million electorate are "don't knows, and there are also indications that the image of Mr Charles Haughey, Leader of the Opposition, is not helping the Fianna Fail

The latest opinion polls provide a boost for the Fine Gael - Labour coalition, as Dr Garret FitzGerald's personal popularity continues to increase and is seen by Fine Gaels strategists to be one of handled the argument last their great assets. The find-week over whether the party ings make gloomy reading should have a joint strategy with Fine Gael for the for Mr Haughey, who is fighting for his political survival. Even before the election date was announced there were criticisms of his leadership.

In a survey of 306 farmers owning more than 30 acres of land conducted last Saturday, Dr FitzGerald's personal rating based on satisfaction with his performance, stood at 76 per cent, compared with 57 ure on Labour candidates. Chief Constable of the RUC, per cent at the general Faced with debts from last is continuing its own investiglection last May. Mr Haug- year's campaign, both Fianna gations into the affair.

IRISH

ELECTION hey's personal rating had

fallen from 44 per cent to 22 Paradoxically, 60 per cent of those polled thought Fianna Fail would form the

next government, irrespec-tive of their own preferences. Fine Gael depends on the into boys homes Labour Party maintaining its
15 seats. The prospects this time for Labour are looking inquiry into why homosexual time for Labour are looking increasingly bad as internal dissent continues to hamper their electoral effort. Mr Brendan Halligan, Labour's former general

Labour's former general secretary and one of the party's leading anti-coalitionists, who was to have run in Dublin seat, has decided not to stand. He is among those who are seriously dissatisfied with Mr Michael C'Leary, the party leader, and the way he handled the argument last

campaign. The party's problems have also increased with the retirement from politics of two senior members, Mr
Brendan Corish and Mr
James Tully, the former
Minister of Defence. In
working-class constituencies, the harsh measures in the Budget have increased press-

Fail and Fine Gael are forgoing the balloons, stick-ers, and bands that marked the last campaign. Pianna Fail is expected to spend about £1m on the campaign and Mr Haughey is

using a helicopter. Fine Gael expect to spend £500,000, and Dr FitzGerald is using a campaign bus. Public enquiry urged

offences at boy's homes in Belfast went undetected for nearly 20 years (the Press Association reports).

A government committee of inquiry is due to start hearing evidence next Monday, but politicians and health officials are unhappy with the terms of reference. They want the case to be heard in public instead of behind closed doors, with legal representation for the The committee is headed

by Mr Stephen McGonagle, a former Ombudsman for Northern Ireland. The Northern inquiry, which comes after the imprisonent of five men in the city last December for sex offences at boys' homes, has been ordered by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

A team of detectives led by Mr John Whiteside, Assistant Chief Constable of the RUC, Football

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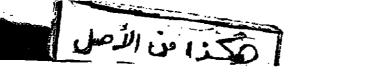
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£50m a year state grants to help immigrants

SCARMAN REPORT

It was wrong to suggest that If was wrong to suggest that special measures to promote equality of opportunity for minorities would give some people an unfair advantage over the rest of the community, Lord Belstead, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said in a debate on the Scarman report on the Brixton riots.

We are not (he said) dealing with reverse discrimination which would involve such matters as job quotas or, lowering standards of recruitment for certain occupations. What is needed is simply to ensure equality of opportunities.

He said that in the report there was no excuse for street crimes and mugging and no question of impeding the police in their task of dealing with crime. Lord Scarman had not hesitated to describe the disorders as riots.

The work of the police needed to be reinforced by the support of the community. The functions of the police remained the prevention of crime, protection of life and momenty and the prevention of crime, protection of life and property, and the preservation of public tranquility. To strike the right balance between these duties required great discretion on the part of each individual police officer in the diverse society of today.

There had been some progress in recruitment from ethnic minorities but further steps must be taken. They must ensure that

be taken. They must ensure that applicants were not unconscious-ly discriminated against. New tests would be scrutinised independently before they were introduced.

The Home Office were discusling with the police and the liner London Education Authority the possibility of providing suitable English courses for ethnic minority candidates. They were setting up a special study to see how ethnic minority recruitment could be improved.

The Home Office fully accepted the importance given to police training by Lord Scarman. The Police Training Council met on January 28 to decide how to tackle the report's recommendations and was to meet again in the autumn to region morgress. dations and was to meet again in the autumn to review progress.

The Home Secretary (Mr William Whitelaw) had clearly endorsed the need for reform of the complaints procedure. The Commons Home Affairs Committee had begun an inquiry into complaints against the police and hoped to complete it by Easter. The Home Office would wish to take the report into account before proceeding further.

Keeping law and order was the responsibility of all and effective cooperation between police and public should surely have as its final objective the more effective prosecution of crime and the better protection of the public. A better protection of the public. A process of consultation about this had begun. It included a programme of visits by officials of the Home Office to study the informal consultation arrangements which existed in some areas and to discuss with police forces and police authorities how the liaison committees envisaged by Lord Scarman might function.

One of the problems the report One of the problems the report identified was that of racial was committed to ensuring full equality of opportunity for was committed to ensuring that equality of opportunity for everyone in the country irrespective of race, colour or religion.

One way of achieving this,

while assessing more accurately the extent of racial disadvantage, was by placing greater emphasis on monitoring the position of ethnic minority communities. They must have the information available if they were to take effective steps to try to remedy racial disadvantage.

One of the changes proposed was to grants payable to local authorities under section 11 of the Local Government Act 1966. When this provision was first introduced it was in the confident expectation that any dis-advantage experienced by people newly arrived in Britain would be short lived, and that the need for a grant of this kind would diminish and eventually

disappear.

We now know (he said) that this has not proved to be the case. We therefore decided to abolish the so-called 10-year rule under which grant is payable in relation only to those Commonwealth immigrants who have been here for less than 10 years.

Under the new arrangements it would be possible for the grant to be paid in respect of all first generation Commonwealth residents no matter how long their residence here, and the grant

residence here, and the grant would be payable to their

The Government was providing more than £50m a year in grants under section 11, which was a great deal of money. It was also proposed that there should be a substantial increase in the urban programme allocation for the programme allocation for the next financial year. It was to be increased from £210m to £270m.

Black businessmen sometimes experienced difficulties in seeking necessary financial projects. In discussions with the Department of Industry, the response of senior bankers had been constructive and encourag-ing, and should lead to some positive initiatives from the banks, and help black businessmen improve their skills in seeking finance, and forge strong business relationships with the

Lord Elystan-Morgan, for the Opposition, said Lord Scarman had said racial disadvantage was a fact of current British life and a significant causation in the Brixton disorders.

It was a disease deeply embedded in the life of the community and like every serious disease it could not be cured by minor applications of ointments to the surface of the skin. It was endemic in the blood and bone and affected the whole of the

in the last two years the Government had withdrawn to £600m from the inner cities by their changes in the rate support system. Was the Govern-ment prepared to cancel out that withdrawal, and from that baseline to consider what added finances it would channel to these most vulnerable areas?

There was a call for two basic conditions—an adequacy of finance and a fully coordinated approach to the problems.

Lord Scarman recommended that there should be a weeding out of would-be candedates to the police force who were thought or

suspected to harbour deep racial projudice, and this should be made a specific disiplinary offence. Lord Wigoder, for the Liberals,

Next week's business

Monday: Employment Bill,

The main business in the House and Gaming (Amendment) Bill,

second reading.

The main business in the Tuesday: Transport Bill, second House of Lords next week will reading.

Wednesday: Motions on Rate
Support Grant (Scotland) Order
and on the Housing Support
Grant (Scotland) Order. Harbours (Scotland) Bill, second
reading.

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Motions on Rate
reading. Debate on report of the
EEC committee in annual
accounts of banks.

Tuesday: Shops Bill, second
reading. Debate on personal Grant (Scotland) Order Harbours (Scotland) Bill, second
reading.
Thursday: Debate on an
Opposition motion on overseas
development.
Friday: Private Members' Bills:
Cinematograph Bill, Garden
Supplies (Sunday Trading) Bill; (Scotland) Bill, second reading.

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GOES A PENNY TREBLE CHANGE CODE STATE



Runcie: People not peaceable community, including the ethnic

minorities. He would not be as hesitant as the Government or Lord Scarman in considering the case for some degree of reverse discrimination to ensure that ethnic minorities were adequately represented in the police.

This should not be done by a

This should not be done by a lowering of the necessary standards, but by engaging suitable applicants and training them carefully and specifically so that they could reach the necessary standards and thus become fully-fledged members of the force. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, said that he questioned the idea that violence,

whenever it occurred, whether at Toxieth, Bristol or Brixton, could ever be simply explained in terms of bad economic and social conditions which could be improved by the appropriate injection of government will and finance.
Unemployment and bad hous-

ing certainly played a major part in fuelling discontent which erupted into riot and they could not be complacent about a situation in which 65 per cent of black youth in Brixton was unemployed or 12,000 households there were living in overcrowded

conditions.

However, men and women were not naturally peaceable and law-abiding. No matter how good the communications, nor how restrained the police, force was alas sometimes inescapable. We do not help the police in their difficult and sometimes

dangerous work (he said) by pretending that if only certain procedures and reforms were adopted, the problem of violence would be painlessly solved. There is a danger of the police scaling themselves off from open debate because of defensiveness and cynicism at critics who do
not acknowledge that law enforcement must involve force and
that police officers in the real
world have to choose between

evils on many occasions. While they waited for the promised legislation on statutory liaison committees and complaints procedures, the coming months would be crucial for building confidence in the kind of consultation machinery the of consultation machinery the Government had in mind.

Whatever might be the pros and cons of reverse discrimi-nation, special effort should be made to give deprived sections of to change and to accepthe community, whether black or and many of them did. white, education and training opportunities to enable them to

young poeple in more prosperous The churches were determined not to abandon the inner city and retreat to suburbia. In the light of the report they would be seeking ways of extending and consolidating Christian work in education, youth, and voluntary services as well as helping to change the maligned stereotype impressions which groups had of each other and challenging the mythologies which had been created.

The need for action at

Shortage of farms to rent

Wigoder: Careful training

government and at local level was

orgent. Lord Long, for the SDP, said that piecemeal implementation of the recommendations of the report and rejection of others would not do, although he had reservations,

do, although he had reservations, particularly about the recommendations of the sanction of dismissal against a police officer for racially prejudiced behaviour. He had received from the Bishop of Liverpool a quotation which the Bishop had received from community leaders in Liverpool 8: "We have always had bad housing and few jobs. We have learnt to put up with them, but please get the police off our backs." He (Lord Hunt) had received

similar statements from com-munity leaders in Brixton. There was no doubt that minority feelings were running in that direction. It was essential, however, to remember the social, economic and criminal situations in which the police had to operatte in Brixton, Toxteth and other city areas. nentation of the report must be broad-based.

There was a need for urgent

action on the Scarman report.
They would court even greater disasters than occurred in Toxteth and Brixton if they did not heed that report now. Lord Rawlinson of Ewell (C)

Lord Rawlinson of Ewell (C) said that despite the passages in the report on the efforts of the police and the difficulties they faced, he was left with the impression of under-assessment of the difficulties of the police and the justifiable anxiety of the majority of law abiding citizens.

The television authorities were The television authorities were motivated by a determination to entertain and sensationalize. The

increase in violence in society was not a little due to the attitude of the television authorities on these matters. There had been a deplorable decline in the quality and amoun

of news reporting, especially by the BBC. The reputation of it had been much reduced. Unless it was stopped it could lead to demands for the removal of the news from the control of the corporation and the vesting of it in a separate entity, as was done with independent television. There was no right among ethnic minorities for changes in the rule of law of the host

country. They must be prepared to change and to accept the laws The report had dismissed the question of a new Riot Act. He hoped the Home Secretary would

consider in greater depth than the Scarman report had the principle of "disperse or be arrested".

Firm and resolute leadership from the Home Office (he said) is needed and the strengthening not weakening of the police; and the demonstration of society's determination not to be overborne by those who do not like the law, do not keep it. Ministers should stand by the men and women in the first line of the defence of liberty. (Conservative cheers.)

AGRICULTURE

The continuing decline of the tenanted sector of farming was a matter of concern, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said. He added that he had received representations from a number representations from a number of individuals and organizations, including the National Farmers' Union and Country Landowners' Association, and with his colleagues was considering what action should be taken in the future. future.

Mr Peter Temple-Morris (Leominster, C): The decline of the tenanted sector is potentially the tenanted sector is potentially dangerous for the future. Will he make clear to the President of the NFU that he will press for legislation on this matter in the next session of Parliament and use his considerable talents to press vigorously in this direction?

Mr Walker: We will consider the proposals that have been made and have discussions with all concerned. It is important to try to get a situation in which there is a permanency of arrangements in the landlord-ltenant area which can give an opportunity for young farmers in

Mr Gavin Strange, an Oppo-sition spokesman on food, agriculture and fisheries (Edin-burgh, East, Lab): Although the burgh, East, Lab): Although the Opposition cannot support proposals which would weaken the security of families of future tenant farmers, we are concerned about escalating farm rents. Would he consider introducing an early piece of legislation to limit the increase of farm rents which are doing so much harm to agriculture? agriculture?

Mr Walker: I hope he will consider the immense frustration of young potential farmers throughout the country because of the total lack of availability of rented farms. The sort of policy which save they are just want law. which says that we just want low rents and do not want any incentive for any landlord putting forward tenant farms in future is against the interests of young farmers.

Mr Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab): While it might be desirable for the NFU and CLA to talk about tenancies, it might be useful if they and the Ministry talked seriously about the increasing scale of farming amalgamations.

Mr Walker: The two are closely connected. If when a farm, becomes available to let it is taken into hand, it creates the very situation that he talks about. I have to try to find a fair and sensible system between both sides which is good for young farmers.

Overfishing by Danes is attacked

Reported over-fishing by Den-mark was regarded by the British Government as utterly unsatis-factory Mr Alick Buchananfactory Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said. The British Government had made its views plain to the European Commission.

the fishing industry. Progress had been made on marketing, on conservation and on the Communication and on the Communication and on the Communication and on the Communication and the Communication a conservation and on the Community's reciprocal fishing arrangements with certain third countries, including Norway. The next meeting of the council of fisheries ministers was expected to take place in March.

Mr Albert McOuarrie (East

Mr Afbert McQuarrie (East gress.

breach of regulations? Buchanan-Smith:

Mr Buchanan-Smith: The reported over-fishing by the Danes is something which we regard as deeply and utterly unsatisfactory. We are not waiting for the March meeting and have already made our views absolutely plain to the Commission.

Commission.

This simply underlines the necessity of getting a common fisheries policy, with proper policing and proper control to prevent this kind of thing taking

place. We do not (he said later) want just any settlement. We want a settlement that is satisfactory. In the progress we have made or matters such as conservation an marketing we have managed to deal with a number of issues to the benefit of the British fishing industry. Let us hope we can ge down to dealing constructively and satisfactorily with the remaining issues.

Dutch must wipe out advantage

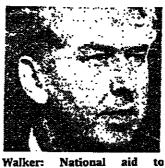
Positive proposals from the Dutch Government on the elimination of unfair advantages for their horticulturists through of gas subsidies are expected at

oligas subsidies are expected at the next meeting of the EEC Council of Agriculture Ministers on February 15, Mr Peter, Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said. Asked by Mr Michael Latham (Melton, C) what progress had been made on the issue, and facing criticisms from Conserva-tive, Labour and Liberal MPs on the delay by the EEC, he said the delay by the EEC, he said that at the last meeting of the Council of Ministers virtually all member states pressed the Dutch Government for an elimination of the gap between industrial and horticultural tariffs operating in Holland.

This matter is on the agend

(he said) for the meeting on February 15. I expect some positive proposals to be put and I hope the elimination of this unfair advantage to the Dutch growers.

Mr Latham: Since the real answer is that no progress has been made at all, and Mr Walker has had to introduce welcome national aids to prevent our growers being destroyed, will he make it plain to the Dutch that if they want to play it tough and rough so can we? (Cheers)



continue

Mr Walker: I have no doubt that if the Dutch Government do not come with firm proposals on February 15 on the matter, they as a government will immediately, be taken to the European Court. That is a correct procedure to pursue.

We have introduced national aids in the interim and it is

The only settlement in nego- Mr Geraint Howells (Cardigan,

at the Council of Ministers Commission is putting the Brtish meeting in March about this glasshouse industry at risk, and breach of the fishing no aid which the Government has given — and welcome it is — can offset the damage done.

Mr Walker: There was procrasti-nation by the previous Govern-ment, which did nothing about this issue and was lethargic. I am glad that in the near future som decisions will be taken.

Mr Michael Spicer (South Worcestershire, C): If he compares our fuel costs with those of times theirs at the moment. Mr Walker: Yes, that is why

believe and hope the Dutch Government, who are under considerable pressure not only from us but from other countries and the EEC, will on February 15 announce the basis on which they will eliminate this unfair competition. Mr Thomas Torney (Bradford south, Lab): Is he going to allow

south, Lab! Is he going to allow the procrastination of the Com-mon Market to continue until our horticultural industry has gone the same way as fishing, ultimately disappearing? Will he not act unilaterally and save it? Mr Walker: If, as I am fairly optimistic will happen, proposals are presented on February 15, I will welcome them. I have taken every action in giving national aids to the industry to support them in the meantime, and I will continue to do that.

Marginal land surveys are completed

The marginal land surveys in the United Kingdom have been completed and the Government is completed and the Government is considering the case for extending the "less favoured areas" that might be submitted to the European Commission, Mrs Peggy Fanner, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said.

The Government had always said, she added, there was no commitment to provide cash for designated areas.

Mr Peter Mills (West Devon, C): There is tremendous economi benefits to the rural areas if thi

went forward quickly. With the terrible loss of agricultural land through roads and buildings, it is important to increase home food roduction from marginal land. Mrs Fenner. As soon as the results have been fully examined and the interested parties have been consulted, the case will go to the European Commisson.

It does need careful consideration. We need to submit a watertight case as soon as possible. The National Farmers' Union have agreed to this

approach. approach.
I accept his comments, but have always said there is no Government commitment to provide funds for areas which are designated. The first step is to put the case to Brussels.

Britain to sign salmon convention Progress towards establishing

s convention to conserve salmo: reported in a written reply by Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minister of State for Agriculture, Fish-eries and Food. He said that the interested parties, including the European Community, had adopted the text of a convention which would be opened for signatures on March

convention would provide for the first time an international forum for the control of intercepting fisheries, and would prevent the establishment of new maritime fisheries by the adhering parties outside the 12 miles coastal limits. The United Kingdom would

therefore support Community membership of the convention Aberdeenshire, C): Denmark has over-fished in the North Sea for herring by 10 times the quota, by 11,500 tonnes against 1,000 tonnes against 2,000 tonnes. What action will be take under appropriate conditions.
He also welcomed the decision that the headquarters of the new

Sex shop licensing approved

PORNOGRAPHY

The new system for licensing as The new system for licensing and shops and cinemas was appropriate during an all night strong in the Commons when Local Commons when the House of Local Commons which would allow local contribution which would allow local contribution which would allow local contributions to licence premises therefilms are shown or books and films are shown or books as force, restraint, violence cruelty associated with series 2Ctivity

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister State, Home Office, said fitter way could be found of around using those words the Gorment would be happy to cars

MPs also agreed to trothen new clause designed to tackle the nuisance of fly posting it seems of district councils or Longe boroughs power to remove obliterate any placards or posters displayed in their area should be believed are in country of advertisance of the country o vention of advertiseme lations.

Foot pledges repeal of **Tebbit Bill**

TRADE UNIONS

The Employment Bill represented a victous attack on the rights of trade unionists and their immers so it would be repealed by the next Labour Government list like the Industrial Relations Active The Opposition, promised derivative of the Opposition, promised derivative of the Opposition, promised derivative of the Opposition, promised derivatives. the Opposition, promised during

the Opposition, promised during business questions.

The Opposition intended to deverything in its power to read the Bill in Parliament and would fight it generally, he told Mr. Francis Pym. Leader of the House. As the legislation would be repeated it would be better if the Government withdrew it is me. the Government withdrew it is but the committee stage should a least be held on the tioor of the Commons. Mr Pym: His Government did repeal the Industrial Relations Act with disastrous results

(Conservative cheers). E is the Coverament's intention to proceed with this Bill in committee in the normal way and in exactly the same way as the Labour Government did on Bills in a similar area. Mr Pym later said the only thing that would really be helpful in the rail dispute would be for it to

end. In the meantime, a Commons debate would helpful. He also indicated that the death grant was under consideration by the Government, but it was not in a position to make an

Need to set. an example

The Speaker, Mr George Thomas in a statement said: There has been considerable publicity today: (Thursday) about a word which

was used last night. shall consider that an unshall consider that an ap-purliamentary expression. Note of us would use it in our own homes. I hope this House can maintain a better example to the

Parliament today (9.30): Private Commons Bills: Planning Inquiries (Attendance of Public) Bill and Death Grant Increase Bill, second read-

len, Lab) said that if the Government had the will it would

be possible to implement sense the legitimate aspirations of okage pensioners. By desiroying the wealth creators the Government

ment had destroyed the means by which the elderly could be mid a

fair pension.

Five Government moves to ease lot of elderly

SOCIAL SECURITY

They will be in Portsmouth, Fleetwood and Sheffield and it is hoped that two will become operational within the next 18 months and the third shortly after that. Mr Fowler, speaking in a debate Government's other proposals included a new registration system to improve standards in

private and voluntary old people's homes and increased Government grants to voluntary organizations helping the elderly. Mr John (Pontypridd, Lab) moved an Opposition motion recalling the major progress made by the last Labour Government over pensions and noting with mounting dismay that "Government policies have beauty lawy and and the state of the state of

that "Government pourses already lowered and threaten to lower further the standard of living and quality of life of the elderly". motion said urgent measures were needed to remedy the situation and in particular an early report was needed on how a constructive response may be made to the declaration of intent

National Pensioners' Convention.

He said that the pensioners' convention — the federation of all the major organizations involved with pensions — was lobbying the Commons on lobbying th February 18.

There would be many sincere There would be many sincere people united in their anger at the way their standard of living had dropped in the last three years. They would present their ideas as to how that should be prevented in the future.

No one could dank that the No one could deny that the Labour government had done a great deal for the pensioner. It was equally undeniable that the story over the last three years was in stark contrast to that

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced as part of a package to provide more Government help for the elderly, the setting up of three experimental nursing thomes within the National Health Service.

The second of the Government help to the elderly couple was £2.90 a week worse off, and a single person than the link had not been cut. And it meant pensioners could not automatically look forward to an increase in

their earnings.

Nothing gave pensioners a sense of grievance more keenly than the issue of uprating in line with inflation. The Government should make good the 3 per cent chartful in pensions — made up on the pensions and living shortfall in pensions — made up standards of the elderly, said the Government's other proposals per cent lag behind the rate of included a new registration inflation — as quickly as possible.

There were difficulties in

uprating more than annually, but the Government should be looking for ways it could be done rather than reasons why it was not possible. Six-monthly uprating should be confined to periods when inflation was high—in double figures.

As the difficulty in uprating was supposed to be the uprating of supplementary benefits, uprating should be confined to standard pensions, to be uprated 5 per cent after six months when inflation was 10 per cent. rather than reasons why it was

inflation was 10 per cent.

The supplementary benefit rise could still bemade annually. could still bemade annually.
Alternative; one could add to
the flat-rate pension a fixed sum
of, say, £2.25 for a couple and
£1.50 for a single person, which
was roughly 5 are continued. was roughly 5 per cent inflation for six months. Twelve per cent inflation, even on the Govern-

ment's own reckoning, appeared to be here to stay. The Government should shake the Department of Health and Social Services out of its inactive attitude to try to see ways in which uprating could be done on a six-monthly basis rather than The £10 Christmas bonus was

now worth, in the same terms, less than £3. It should at least be doubled and if inflation was to be met fully, it would have to be raised to £35. There was overwhelming evidence that the death grant was inadequate and causing great anxiety as surviving relatives struggled to pay large funeral bills. The figure of £30 fixed in

save £500m by having cut this link, and a large proportion of this money would be lost by retirement pensioners.

Taking into account the cumulative effect of the Government amendment welcome the ment amendment welcome the control of the patchwork quilt of the patchwork quilt of control of the patchwor Mr Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Service, moved a Govern-ment amendment welcome the

action the Government was taking at a time of severe economic difficulty fully to protect retirement pensions against inflation, to provide for the statutory payment of an annual Christmas bonus, to annual Christmas bonus, to protect the most vulnerable elderly people against rising fuel prices, and to continue the development of services for

elderly people. It expressed appreciation of the dedicated efforts of pro-fessional staff and volunteers who provided support and care for elderly people and their families



Fowler: Experimental nursing homes He said the level of the pension had increased by 52 per cent over the last three years. Spending on retirement pensions and other benefits for the elderly now totalled £13,500m a year. That had been achieved despite the economic problems.

The Government had done

what it had promised to do to maintain pensions in line with inflation, and to continue the Christmas bonus. The elderly were not a ring-fenced group. They were affected by general economic policies like the rest. Mr John had advicated policies which would add further hundreds of millions of pounds to public expenditures he knew there was no way in which the nation could afford it without

The Labour Party bitterly opposed the break of the linkage betweem pensions and earnings and was pledged to restore it. In 1982-83 the Government would an expension of the linkage where they would be consider the need for some continuous for their professions and earnings and was pledged to restore it. In 1982-83 the Government would also urgently reconsider the need for some continuous for their professions and earnings and was pledged to restore it. In 1982-83 the Government would also urgently reconsider the need for some continuous for their professions and earnings and earnings

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effects on the economy.

goal. The Government's aim was to provide for as many of those elderly patients as possible in small local units close to families and friends.

As a contribution the Govern-As a contribution the Government intended to set up three experimental nursing homes within the NHS at Fleetwood, Portsmouth and Sheffield, intended for people who did not need to be in hospital. They would be in charge of a nurse and medical care would be provided by general practitioners and remedial and community support services would be available. They would be financed jointly

by the health authorities and the Department of Health and he would be funding an independent evaluation of the scheme from his department's research funds. The nursing homes would have a capacity of between 30 and 50.

The Government was also examining the possibility of setting up a second set of experimental schemes for care outside hospitals, this time for elderly patients who might need care because of psychiatric

care because of psychiatric disorders.

The second initiative concerned the long term care provided for old people by private and voluntary residential homes. There was a need to ensure that the care provided in these homes had kept pace with the needs of the residents and overall pattern of services for old people. The Government was about to issue a consultative document on the subject to help it decide what improvements were needed in the registration sysytem in England and Wales. The document would also propose a code of practice which local authorities might apply flexibily to encourage improvement in conditions.

The Government would be seeking to rely on advice as a means of improving standards rather than the rigid application of new statutory requirements. ment would be taking concerned would include a major grant to Age Concern to help them establish a majoral training centre where they would run courses for their professional staff and

Help would also be given to the Mr Gregor Mackenzie (Rutherg-Centre for Policy on Ageing, to Contact and to the Employment

The fourth initiative was that the Government was setting up new arrangements to improve financial and policy accountability in the National Health Service. Each year, ministers would lead a departmental review, with the chairman and chief officers of each regional long-term plans and objectives and of the efficiency with which it provided Services. the Government was setting up it provided services. For the first time since 1948,

the Government would be able to carry out a systematic and rigorous corporate review of policy.

The fifth initiative was on joint financing, which had made a big contribution to promoting comcontribution to promoting com-munity care. Through the scheme, NHS cash was used to support and enhance community care provided by social services authorities and voluntary organi-

zations.

From just over £8m in 1976-77 joint finance had now risen to over £75m in this financial year. A further increase was planned next year bringing that total to almost £85m amost 185m.

Forty per cent of joint finance was spent on services for the elderly. But the scheme did not go far enough. There were still

many in hospital who need not be there, including many of the elderly. The Covernment had sought the views of interested bodies on further ways of moving resources from health to personal social services. Clear preference had emerged for two proposals. One involved making the joint financing arrangements more flexible. The other was intended to move people more quickly out of hospital into community care. The Government wished to consider other suggestions and he hoped to anounce a con-clusion shortly, later this year. While appreciating the concern

of organisations like the National Pensioners' conventions, he was not prepared to make promises that could not be kept. It would cost £11,500m to raise pensions by the amount suggested in the convention's declaration. The public would give no credit if problems were disguised or hopes raised that could not be fulfilled. The majority of people

wanted sufficient income.

mr pension.

Mr Andrew Bowden (Brighton Kemptown, C) said he could support neither the motion nor the Government amendment. The next pension increases must be in the Government amendment and next pension increase must be in the region of 16 to 17 per cent allowing for an inflation rate of 12 per cent between last November and next. The Government and next. The Government and next. ment should be thinking in terms of and increase in the single pension of £5 with £8 for a married couple, to honour pledges.
The Government should be

locking ahead towards preparing a workable national concessionary fores scheme and there was more to be done in producing a material first to be a scheme and the second of the second o and heating scheme. Public sector pensions being

sorted out The Government's aim was to ensure that pensions for public servants were fair to taxpayers as well as to employees, pensioners and their dependants, Mr. Thatcher the Prime Minister, said during questions.

She added: We are trying to sort out the whole matter of conditions of contributions for the many different groups in the

public service—civil servants, police, nurses and teachers. Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood and Ongar, C) had drawn attention to the widespread coverage in the morning papers on index-linked pensions for the public service.

Recognizing (he said) that the Cabinet may well still be considering the Scott report, is she able to indicate if Government will be prepared to accept the principle recommends

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ton of the report that notwith
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public service should remain? Mrs Thatcher told him she had no announcement to make about this and would be surprised if

there were an announcement tomorrow (Friday).

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Sex victims volunteer for jail talks with rapists By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

meet rapists in Maidstone other prisoners.

The women counsellers at Labour's spokesman on these sessions are voluntary associates, volunteers who help the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about their feelings as victims of sexual attack. A probation of sexual attack. A probation of sexual attack. A probation service with their feelings as victims of sexual attack. A probation with their feelings are voluntary as pokesman on the probation of sexual attack. A probation service with the probation service with the probation service with the probation service with the probation service. It about some points and the probation service with the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about their homes and then attacked them, was jailed for nine years at the Central Criminal Court yes the probation of the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about their homes and then attacked them, was jailed for nine years at the Central Criminal Court yes the probation of the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about their homes and then attacked them, was jailed for nine years at the court of the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about the probation of the probation of the probation of the probation white probation with the probation of the help the provening their feelings as victims of sexual attack. A probation officer and two uniformed and two uniformed also attend. A line a letter to Mr Whitelaw, Miss Lestor, MP for Eton to the Home Office the men cities in the United States taking part are "generally should be established in naive, inadequate people with Britain.

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designed to make prison treatment more positive.

By allowing men to talk to victims the intention is to try to prevent the prisoners fantasizing about women as sexual objects. The probation service has also set up an examined. service has also set up an examined. Alcoholics Anonymous

together 100 men from vari- rest and advised of the ous prisons who have asked possibility of a friend remainto be segregated because the ing with her.

Women victims of sexual nature of their offences

An anti-rape campaign was anacks have volunteered to might lead to attacks by started yesterday aimed at prison, Kent, so that they can the report describes the understsand better the "real achievement of provid-serious consequences of ing a comparatively good their crime.

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The once-weekly sessions from intimidation for 100 were praised yesterday in a men who would otherwise report on Maidstone prison have a miserable existence by the Chief Inspector of elsewhere.

Prisons.

prisoner goes to the group Miss Lestor, MP for Eton until officers feel he has learnt all he can. According to the Home Office the men cities in the United States taking part are "generally should be established in paive inadequate people with Remain.

opposite sex or sexual mat-ters." The scheme is one of a number described in the report as impressive and is

Miss Lestor also insisted The sex offenders are from be taken only after the special wing which brings woman had had a chance to

warning nurses. The campaign; by the Nursing alert. launched Standard, says nurses are at high risk of sexual attack. It wants health authorities to increase security.

☐ Edward Dubois, the "Brix

Judge Mason told him:
"During the period of these
offences no woman of a
respectable kind in this area

was safe from you".

"Who knows what effect
what you did may have on
them for the rest of their Dubois, aged 30, an unem-ployed squatter, had been convicted of raping three

The judge told him: "You were medically examined and it is quite clear there is no mental abnormality on your part. The sentence I pass must reflect the horror of which I have spoken and everyone's sense of public outrage over what you did."

Dubois received three years for each rape, the sentences to run consecu-tively. He received a total of six months for thefts.

HM Prison Maidstone: Report by HM Chief Inspector of Prisons (Home Office, London, £1.10).



Lieutenant-Colonel George Forty, curator of the Bovington Tank Museum, Dorset, who has launched a campaign to place the armoured vehicle collection under cover to save it from weather damage

Computer aid for astronomers

By Robin McKie, of The Times Higher Education Supplement

advanced technique will allow British astronomers to operate tele-scopes in other countries and to carry out all normal experiments from computer terminals in this country is to be launched by the Science and Engineering Research Council.

The first stage of the project is to be established at the council's Hawaii observatory with the aim of running the United Kingdom infra-red telescope there directly burgh observatory, said the from its administrative base two telescopes would then

at the Royal Observatory, offer British astronomers "
Edinburgh, in a few years. world-beating combination of facilities". Using the satellite study star formation and link, in combination with interstellar dust clouds using radiation of wavelengths of less than a millimetre, is also expected to be built by the council in Hawaii. A formal proposal recommending the move is to be discussed by the council in the next few

Professor Malcolm Lon-

world-beating combination of facilities". Using the satellite link, in combination with would be able to sit at a terminal and operate the telescopes, carrying out their research without leaving

telescope, sited on top of the 14,000ft peak Mauna Kea, with its ground base at the Starlink, the national com- town of Hilo, to allow puter display system that scientists there a limited connects Britain's main as- amount of remote control. tronomical centres, scientists Then a microwave radio link will be set up so the telescope's operations can be run on full remote control

The project is to be set up in three stages. First, a data channel using telephone lines will connect the infra-red walt for half an hour, Mr Tim Mort, the company's solicitor, said.

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Confusion blamed for death blast

A misunderstanding led to a chemical plant explosion which killed one man, seriously injured another and resulted in a thousand people being moved from their homes, a court was told

yesterday.

An employee misinterpreted instructions from a
company director after
vapours escaped from a still
at the Chemstar plant in
Stalybridge, and turned the still back on, causing the explosion, magistrates at Dukinfield, Greater Man-

chester, were told.

The court was told that the firm, which admitted failing to ensure its employees' safety would soon be going into liquidation. It was fined E900.

Dr John Newton, for the prosecution said the explosion on September 6 happened during the "laundering" of 1,200 gallons of highly inflammable hexaue chemical, a distillation pro-cess which required a perfect supply of water.

Dr Newton said the hot vapours escaped while Mr

Norman Halsall, who was purifying the hexane, was helping a lorry driver. Mr Halsall telephoned Mr John Simon, a company director, and was told to switch off everything and wait for half an hour, Mr Tim

Calculated scheme to learn maths

From Our Correspondent Dereham

school are to have to take a special test before being granted a licence to use a pocket calculator in class.

If they subsequently make a bad mathematical error, the licence will be endorsed. Three endorsements will mean a calculator ban until they have passed the test

The scheme is the idea of Mr John Kirby, deputy headmaster and a mathematics teacher at Northgate High School, Dereham. He said he was concerned at the effects calculators were having. Children were using them without knowing elementary facts of arith-

be awarded on passing a local newspaper advertising "The questions will not

demand complicated calculations. Just proof that the pupil has grasped the basic principles of the four rules, decimals, percentages, can-celling, fractions and money", Mr Kirby said. All children up to the

by the scheme and licences will be renewed fourth year will be covered will be renewed at least annually, subject to success in the numeracy exami-

nations. The licence will be endorsed for an "unforgiveable error", Mr Kirby said.

☐ The Cockcroft committee of inquiry into mathematics teaching, whose report was published last week, devotes a whole chapter to the use of calculators and computers in whose report was the belief that their increasing availability at low cost is "of the greatest significance" (Our Education Correspondent writes).

It comments on public concern about the use of calculators by children who have not yet mastered the traditional skills of arithmetic, but says that the weight of evidence is that the use of calculators has not produced any adverse effect on basic computational ability. "There can be little doubt of the motivating effect which calculators have for very many children", it says, and calls for the introduction of a national scheme to ensure that each pupil has access to a organized by the Muscular calculator during mathe Dystrophy Group.

matics lessons. The increasing use of calculators in adult life provided an over-riding reason why all secondary pupils should be taught and allowed to use a calculator, the committee says it recommends that calculators replace logarithm tables.

NEWS IN

SUMMARY

Leyland workers stay out

Bus and truck workers at Leyland Vehicles' five factor-ies in Lancashire voted overwhelmingly yesterday to continue their two-week strike over planned redundancies, in spite of claims that it threatens the compa-ny's future (our Wigan

correspondent writes).
Of the estimated 5,000 workers crowded into the car park at the Farington works at Leyland, fewer than 100 voted against continuing the stoppage.

Mr Michael Coyne, strike committee chairman, accused

management during the 20-The calculator licence will minute meeting of waging a war of words in an extensive

campaign.
"They are expecting the workers to capitulate under all the publicity and using the an the pholicity and using the tactic of not meeting for another 15 days while this happens", he said. "We will be available for 24 hours a day to talk to them about an honourable return to work.

Judge rewards girl with £30

Helen Brearley aged 16, was praised by a judge at Luton, Bedfordshire, yester-day and given a £30 reward from public funds for her

alertness in picking out a thief in an identity parade.

She saw Hugh O'Neil aged 27, of Luton, dash from a shop after he and another man attacked an elderly shopkeeper and robbed him, at knifepoint, of £50. O'Neil was jailed for seven years for was jailed for seven years for the robberies on Wednesday.

Guard hurt in robbery A security guard delivering nearly £12,000 in wages had his nose broken in an armed robbery by three masked men in Wavertree, Liverpool, yesterday.

Pubs back research More than £231,000 has been raised for medical research by 615 public houses throughout Britain in the national InterPub contest

No bail for youth

A youth aged 16 was remanded for a week by Bristol Juvenile Court yester-day accused of the attempted murder of Police Constable Ian Bennett, aged 36 on January 30. Bail was refused.

Factory sit-in must end From Our Correspondent, Edinburgh

Plessey, the electronics not denied at the hearing that company, was granted an the company had the right to order by a Court of Session prevent the occupation of the previous of their authority previous without their authority. judge in Edinburgh yester-day banning the continued occupation of its factory in Rathern Testing bassion premises without their auth-ority.

Three members of the Bathgate. Lothian, by mem-

the end of March.

A petition seeking an interim interdict named 141 workers including 10 shop stewards. After hearing legal argument Lord Kincraig said:

"I am not in a position to commented: "I do not administer natural justice. I administer the law of Scotland, which may or may not be justice. I can't tell you whether your cause is just—just whether it is legal."

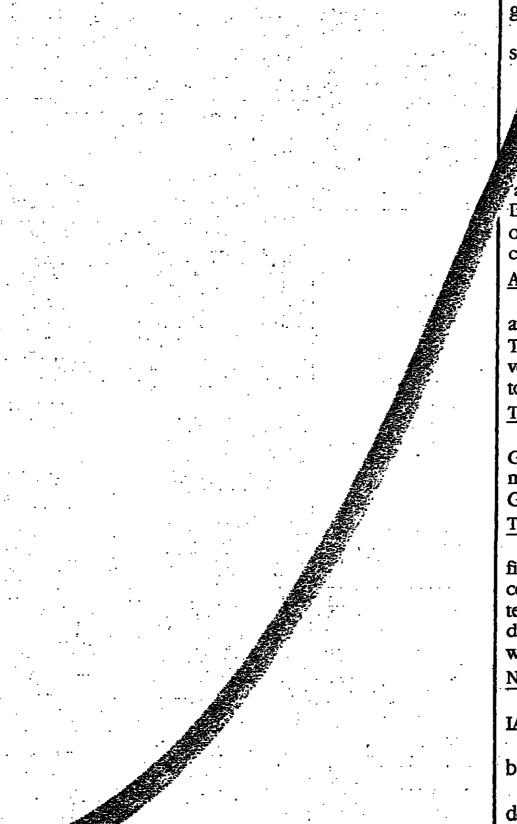
Mrs. Anna Moonia said the "I am not in a position to judge the action taken by the judge the action taken by the occupation was the only way to draw attention to their company, or to judge the policy being pursued. I am concerned with the occupation of the premises." He added that the action of the work force might or might not be politically or industrially proper; but they had occupation was the only way to draw attention to their plight.

A meeting of workers afterwards decided to continue the occupation, and hold another meeting at the weekend. (Our Shotts Correspondent writes).

work force appeared. Mr George Wilson said: "If The occupation has been going on since January 25 when it was announced that the factory was to close at the end of March.

Mr George Wilson said: "If there is any natural justice, then that justice would be on our side". Lord Kincraig commented: "I do not administer natural justice. I administer natural justice. I administer natural justice.

FILE FUTURE LOC There's one company whose aim isn't just survival in In fact IAL continues to



expand profitably. It is the only British company actively involved in all of the four major growth areas in the world economy for the eighties.

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The following good-news stories make a healthy change from reading about the gloom.

Mapping the ocean floor.

For years Britannia ruled the waves. Now through a majority investment in Ocean Data Systems Inc. (USA) and its wholly owned subsidiary. Global Weather Dynamics Inc., IAL is about to gain new market opportunities in oceanography, meteorology and digital colour graphics display systems.

A new era in air traffic control.

Last October, the UK Civil Aviation Authority awarded IAL the contract for equipping the London Air Traffic Control Centre with a microprocessor-based voice communications system, IAL Stratus. This will help to achieve even higher standards in safety and efficiency. The £150m medical services contract.

Through its associates, the International Hospitals Group, IAL has already started work on a massive £150m medical services contract for the Saudi Arabian National Guard.

The hotel run by computer.

During the past year IAL has masterminded and financed the development of Maxial, a totally new computer based hotel management system. This technology will meet the increasingly sophisticated demands of the hotel and leisure industries, on a worldwide scale.

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While cut-backs are the talk of other boardrooms IAL continues to expand.

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Naturally, we are involved in n any more new developments: for example, satellite g ound processing systems and fibre optics. Of course there are other projects of a sensitive nature the also hold great potential for the company. And thus for the economy.

If you're interested in more facts and figures our Compan/ Secretary will be happy to post you a copy of our Annual Report.



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Creation scientists retreat

New York.—The final note has been sounded in the retreat of the so-called "creation scientists", of Arkansas (Michael Hamlyn writes). The state's Attorney General announced that he was not proceeding with an appeal against the judgment that a law requiring balanced treatment between evolution and creation in schools was unconstitutional.

Mr Stephen Clark, the attorney, said that certain parts of Judge William Overton's judgment were in error, but that even if they were not allowed to stand there were three significant legal obstacles to overcome which he would find it impossible to argue against

Crash pilots knew about ice

Washington — A tape from the airliner that crashed into the airliner that crashed into the Potomac River three weeks ago, killing 78 people, suggested that the pilots took off knowng there was ice or snow on the wings, the Washington Post reported.

Transcripts of the voice

Washington Post reported.

Transcripts of the voice recorder showed that the pilots of the Air Florida Boeing 737 commented repeatedly on the blizzard. It autonomy that the Israelis have in mind. suggests that the pilots looked out of flight deck windows to check for ice or snow on the wings, noted there was some, and then took off.

Festival rejects Disney film

A Walt Disney film depicting the flight by hot air balloon of two families from East Germany to the West has been refused a showing he is searching for a solution at the Berlin Film Festival to the Palestinian problem the week after next (Kenneth Gosling writes). No reason was given, a spokesman for Walt Disney Productions

The film, Night Crossing, is based on an actual incident in open talks with the Palestin and is expected to open in Britain in early summer. It is directed by Delbert Mann

Missing imam case closed

The Rome magistrate in charge of investigations into the disarance in August, 1978, of Moussa Sadr, the Lebanese Shiite imam, has ordered the case closed, a source in the judiciary re-

The imam disappeared on August 31, 1978, when he was supposed to leave Libya for Italy on Flight AZ81 of the national carrier Alitalia.

Poison gas accusation

Berlin. Feb. — A West Berlin firm has been manu-facturing illegally a poison gas ingredient and shipping it to Israel, the city pros-ecutor's office said.

The Ferak Chemical Company was charged with pro-ducing thiophosgene, a product used in the manufacture of poison gases similar to those used in the First World

Hospital check on Kissinger

New York - Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary Boston for what his staff called a routine check-up. He is due to be discharged today to go on holiday.

He has suffered recently from a painful shoulder but

is otherwise quite fit, an assistant said.

Trip to Japan

Paris. - President Mitterrand will make a state visit to Japan next April, at a date yet to be decided. It will be the first by a French Presi-

Mubarak fails to bridge gulf on Palestinians

From Nicholas Hirst, Washington, Feb 4 Despite a firm assurance of Technologies, the parent Egypt's commitment to the company of Pratt and Whit-

Camp David peace process President Mubarak has ences between his country

the present Palestinian parliamentary procurement autonomy talks: "We are committee determined to pursue our Mr Sharon told a press peace efforts until a compreconference that terrorist bensive settlement is reached breaches of the ceasefire

how to bring about a breakthrough have emerged from the discussions in Washington.

Precident

A spokesman for the Israeli Embassy here said today that the call for a

can's promise to the Israelis that negotiations with the Palestinian Liberation Organization could take place only if the PLO agreed to the long standing conditions of accepting United Nations (Nations) which could pave the way for Israel's expulsion from the United Nations (Zoriana Pysariwsky writes).

The State Department yesterday issued a statement standing conditions of accepting United Nations

accepting United Nations
Security Council resolutions
and agreeing to Israel's right
to exist as a nation state.

Tel Aviv: Israel today
approved the development of
a new generation of fighterinterceptor aircraft to be
called Lavie and signed an
agreementwith Pratt and
Whitney for the joint development of its engine (Moshe

to expel Israel or any other.
member state would violate
the principle of universality
on which the United Nations
was founded.
It added that the United
States has made it clear—
that suspension or expulsion
of Israel from the United
Nations or any other.

engine is to be based on the F100 produced by Pratt and Whitney for F15 and F16 aircraft. The agreement put nto effect a contract concluded last year and signed today by Mr Ariel Sharon, the Defence Minister and Mr Frank McAbee of United

ney.
The Government alternatiunderscored the deep differ- veto approval of the Lavie project was said to have been and Israel on ways to solve coproduction of American the Palestinian problem.

After a second meeting F15, F16 and F18 would be so here today with President expensive that the Air Force Reagan, Mr Mubarak rewould not be able to afford affirmed his commitment to enough aircraft, according to

according to the Camp David were building up, and he said accords", he said in a formal Israel would not accept a statement on leaving the return to the situation that

President Mubarak in directing terrorist attacks another formal statement wherever they occured.

The said there were 60 the ceasefire

breahes of the ceasefire which was arranged in July by Mr Philio Habib, the American special envoy. Half unction as a national entity of them were in the South Lebanese strip composited by This would not necessarily Major Saad Haddad, Israel's ally. More than 20 attempts were made to infiltrate from Jordan but most of these were intercepted by the Jordanians. The rest of the breaches occurred in Europe where terrorists atacked Jewish and Israeli insti-

today that the call for a national entity deviated from I Major Haddad demanded today that the United Nations President Muberak since taking office has been trying to heal the break between to heal the break between Egypt and the other Arab nations which had developed over Egypt's rapprochement with Israel. His public statements are regarded as persuading the Arab world that he is searching for a solution tutions. In Major Haddad demanded today that the United Nations in recest in the area, (Reuter reports). He said the number of palestinian guerrillas had risen in recent weeks from 500 to more than 900 and were infiltrating withiout any difficulty into the area held by United Nations tutions.

| Major Haddad demanded were infiltrating withhout any difficulty into the area held by United Nations forces, to the Palestinian problem especially near Tyre where with which other Arab states the Senegalese contingent let

could concur.

Like President Sadat during his visit last year, President Mubarak called last night on the United States to open talks with the Palestin appeared determined today to press ahead with a resolution which could pave the way for

standing conditions of saying any threat or attempt accepting United Nations to expel Israel or any other

opment of its engine (Moshe consequences for continued Brilliant writes).

Known as the PW 1120 the Nations and support for the United Nations

The statement, however, appeared to have little effect on the sponsors of the draft for a mititary, economic, diplomatic and cultural embargo againsts Israel New Cairo style, page 12



cost put at £113,600m

From Mohsin Ali Washington, Feb 4

While President Reagan puts the finishing touches to the 1983 budget which he is to send to congress next week, his senior officials have been juggling with figures which would appear to raise the level of defence appropriations while not increasing the size of the overall budget deficit.

According to administration sources, the Presidente's budget message will call for actional defence spending ammounting to \$215,900m (£113,630m) This amount, which is a record peace-time defence budget, is about \$1,000m more than the president had predicted last

September.
Additionally, the Presidentd will seek an extra \$13,600m in new budget authority for the Pentagon. However, this amount will not actually be spent during fiscal 1983 but will enable the Pentagon to make contracts which would have to paid for in subsequentd years.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, discussed the proposed increases dur-ing a closed session of the Senate armed services committee earlier this week. Some reports of what Mr Weinberger told that meeting gave the impression that the President had agreed to a further increase in actual defence spending rather than in budget authority.

Administration said the main effort in shaping the new defence budget had focused on keep-ing 1983 spending increases in check

in troop cuts leak

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Feb 4

medium, or long term.

However a proposal to cut back their number and in-stead build up an expedition-ary force based in America is one of the ideas discussed from time to time by Nato experts examining ways of streamlining the alliance's military capability.

The fact that such a proposal should have been leaked to the west German newspaper, Die Welt is considered to be a political move by defence experts in Washington. There is considerable discontent within sections of the administration. sections of the administration with the Government of Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, particularly over Poland.

Suggestions that the United States could be considering a troop reduction are certain to cause him political embassassment and provide ammunition to the opposition Christain Demo-

Despite the strains which Nato is undergoing the Administration remains solidy committed to it. It is a would be made only after matter on which even Mr close consultation with the Alexander Haig, the Sec-allies and only if there were retary of State, and Mr reciprocal reductions of Casper Weinberger, the De-Warsaw Pact forces.

Spain given

on rowdies

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 4

Perhaps the Basque country, traditionally one of the regions of Spain feeling most

good-will towards Britain, does not yet know what is going to hit it when English football supporters descend

on Bilbao next June for the first of England's games in

So far even the taxi drivers

have been seeking to learn some English as the Basque

community generally pre-pares a welcome for an event

seen as promising good football combined with good

the World Cup finals.

come to Spain as well.

tourist trade.

advice

There are no plans to fence Secretary—at odds on reduce the 350,000 American so many other issues—are troops based in Western united.

Europe in either the short, The Administration is par-

steps at this stage which could be seen as sending the wrong signal to the Soviet

Any move to reduce Americam troops in Europe now would cause a crisis within Nato and would seriously undermine the United States position at the Geneva talks on the reduction of medium-range nuclear missiles in

Enrope.
It would also have serious implications on the long drawn-out negotiations in drawn-out negotiations in Vienna on mutual and balanced force reductions in central Europe. The UnitedS-tates is formly committed to the Nato decision to make withdrawals of its forces in central Europe only as part of a decision on East-West multilateral reductions.

It is possible that in due course there could be some reduction in American forces in Europe, because some Pentagon planners believe a conflict is less likely to break

out in Europe than in other parts of the world. However such reductions

1 empers rise in trade war

Japan's failure to satisfy
European demands for a
more open market will be
studied by the European
Commission next Wednesday
against the growing background of national demands

for protectionist measures.

At the same time three European Commissioners will be in Washington battlwin be in washington battling with the American authorities over claims that Europe is dumping unwanted steel and agricultural products on the American mar-

But tomorrow Mr Neil But tomorrow Mr Neu Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, will be in Madrid for talks designed to help the Spanish authorities cope should the minority element of hooligans who wreak havoc in and around English football games decide to today that tempers are rising on both trade fronts as one senior commission official held an informal briefing to tell journalists that if American harassment continued there will be a good deal of hinod on the floor".

He will talk to Señora Soledad Becerril, Minister of Soledad Becerril, Minister of Culture, who also has responsibility for sport. Mr Macfarlane's trip comes after a visit last month by officials trying to help with Britain's experience of the hooligan element.

The hope is that the warning will reach the security officials and police at the grounds where England and Scotland are to play.

Mr Edward Barrett, British trade war is less one of conflicting words than of conflicting figures.

Japan this morning produced a new set of numerical assurances that Japan really was doing its best to open its markets. There would be

The commission official

Japan's failure to satisfy

It was clear in Brussel

He gave a warning that inless everybody stood by the rules "we could relapse into a chaos of bilateralism of the type which existed in the 1930s with consequences of the kind for which many Europeans paid with their lives". So far, however, the trade war is less one of

1,653 items with reduced rariffs between now and 1988, and the reduction averaged 15.6 per cent — a loss in revenue to the Japanese Government of \$200m (just over £100m).

took nothing like so rosy a view. The drop in the rate for biscuits, he said, would be from 38:5 per cent to 36.3 per

From Ian Murray.

in The El Salvador Army is weapon of last resort asking the United Nations human rights commission to verify its claim that guerrillas killed more than 150 peasants in an attack on the Africa and keeps to a willage of Nueva Trinidad constant nagging assault on near the Honduran heart the Honduran

ing, to butchery, to exterminating the population, and they killed children, women and men—even animals, an Army spokesman said.

dusty town From Paul Ellman

El Salvador, Feb 4 It was far from a great battle but it was typical of the two-year-old war in El Salvador. The guerrillas showed that they could strike close to the capital but were unable to attain their object tive — the capture of this dusty town of 25,000 inhabitants, 12 miles from the outskirts of San Salvador The guerrillas, of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation. Movement, surrounded the town shortly after 10 pm last night. They called upon its defenders, a 44 man force drawn from the

local militia, to surrender and, when they refused, opened fire.
The attacking guerrilla force, estimated to have been 200 strong, swiftly overrap positions on the edge of the town and moved on the local ommand post

The defenders, armed only with vintage, bolt-action rilles against the automatic rifles and grenade-launchers of the guerrillas, were able to call up troops from a garri-son mear by. The clashes continued well into the night.

with the last exchange of fire occurring dround 5 am, seven hours after the initial guerrilla attack. The defenders suffered hree dead — two of them

from the local militia and the other from the Army — and 10 wounded. One of the dead was Carlos Galdamoz, a 48-

year-old fieldworker and father of eight.

As his body lay on the cement floor of his tiny home, surrounded by wailing relatives, his neighbours complained that lack of proper defences made their town an easy target for guerrilla attacks.

But this morning, at least three companies of infantry, supported by armoured venicles, had taken up positions in the nown. There

inions in the town. There were no signs of a follow-up

press plan rejected as hysterical From Michael Hornsby Cape Town, Feb 4 Mr.R. F. Botha, the South

Hostility to

Mr.R. F. Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, today described as hysterical and premature, the hostile press reaction here and abroad to the proposals of the Steyn commission of inquiry into the mass media. In an interview with The Times. Mr Botha maintaine

times, Mr Botha maintained that the press coverage of the Steva report had been deliberately "dished up in such a fashion as to give the impression to the reader abroad that the Government intends to kill press freedom

intends to kill press freedom in this country."

"Some papers here obviously expected the Government to react immediately, and to clamp down on the press, and the Government did exactly the opposite." Mr Botha maintained. "The present hysterical outburst is apparently based on frustration that the Government did not react as expected." did not react as expected". did not react as expected.

The Steyn report, accompanied by draft Bills embodying its proposals, was tabled in Parliament earlier this week. If implemented, the draft laws would, among other things, require all journalists to be licensed by a statutory board of controls. This, has been widely condemned as a means of imposing political conformity.

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The Prime Minister's response in Parliament to the Steyn report had been "vary, very categorical and clearly stated", Mr Botha declared.

"He said that the Government of the said that the Government of the said that the grant of the said the said that the grant of the said the said that the grant of the said th ment could not give a conclusive 'yes' or 'no', that it was a voluminous report, that it required study and that negotiations would take place with the press. Now what more reasonable and the cap any government. tude can any government

adopt? It was impossible, Mr Botha insisted for the Government to indicate what its final position might be



for journalists.

beginning of a process of discussion with the press?. Nor would he be able to express any personal view on the Steyn proposals until he knew what the outcome of these negotiations were.

Mr Botha's comment will do little to calm the fears of editors and journalists here uestion the motives of the Government in commissioning the Steyn report in the first place and are alarmed that the Government should be prepared even to consider a measure like the compulsory registration of

The Fereign Minister's remarks tend to confirm the view gaining ground here that the Government's initial strategy will be to try and persuade the press to exercise self-censorship while holding over its head the threat of legislation as a

vmage of Nueva Trinidad, constant nagging assure on near the Honduran border, at the policy of apartheid, the weekend (AP reports from San Salvador).

"The Communist attackers dedicated themselves to kill."

Nicaragua crushes plot to split the country'

Managua, Feb 4 — Nicara-gua announced today that its security forces had smashed a "counter-revolutionary" a "counter-revolutionary"
plot to separate the eastern
province of Zelaya, from the
rest of the country and had
arrested more than 100
people in the province.

Last week, the United States States Department spokesman, Mr Alan Romberg, accused the Sandinist Government of oppressing Miskito Indians in Zelaya, a nredominantly black. English-speaking province. The Nicarragian Government denied the allegations.

Mr. Romberg, said the leftist Government had de-

clared Zelaya a military zone and restricted travel in the region. The province, which is rich in resources, occupies about half of Nicaragua's

The Basque separatist overthrow the constitutions of the control of the constitutions of the control of the control of the country.

In spite of that it kides a source close to the Basque father of the popular singer, in Madrid today.

It announced in a clander of the country ers from the region.

in Managua today, the Defence Ministry spokesman, the kidnapping was not a Defence Ministry spokesman, violation of the truce, since it was carried out to finance the organization's operations of Mr. Steadman Fagoth and not for political motives.

part German ancestry who formerty headed Misurasata, an organization representing three Indian tribes inhabiting Zelaya.

Mr Muller-fled the country last May and now lives in neighbouring Honduras. The separatist movement, which Captain Sanchez said was called Operation Red Christmas, started last November. He said the conspirators hoped to foster anti-govern-ment feelings among the residents of the province and start an uprising, thus paving the way for intervention by foreign military forces that would support the separatist

In addition to creating a "climate of terror" in the province, the conspirators had simultaneously planned to carry out an ideologicaltype campaign aimed at sowing confusion and aversion toward the Sandinsta revolution" in Zelaya, Captain Sanchez said,

Cooling relations with the United States could push Nicaragua into the Cuban and Soviet camps, although Managua would prefer strengthened thes with Washington, the Nicaraguan Foreign Minister and guan Foreign Minister said here today.

Squabbles over 39-hour week

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, Feb 4

by the Government, as the Prime Minister himself has hours effectively worked.

They claim, for instance, that this means they lose the employers and the unions.

"greening value of the control of the

Employers are naturally in favour of a restrictive interpretation, while the unions are trying to squeeze the most advantage from the decree and preserve a wide and travellers' lugage has preserved. decree and preserve a wide and travellers' luggage has variety of special privileges been meticulously searched and "perks", which, strictly as a gesture of protest. Speaking, do not square up Other conflicts have

rule by customs officers, reached between manage legitimate, while other causing delays and disruption ment and labour on the acquired rights had become number of hours to be unacceptable in a society manage legitimate, while other ment and labour on the unacceptable in a society manage legitimate, while other manage legitimate, while othe

threatened to paralyse traffic exploiting the situation to remarks that were unacceptif their own, often unwritten, outbid one another. The able.

The French Government decree for reducing the They want meal, rest, and working week to 39 hours travel time to be included in and introducing a fifth week of paid holidays a year, has of paid holidays a year, has government atoms of the sovernment atom of the sovernment.

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From Our Own Correspondent, really reduction in working hours, and the and effective work-sharing. scope was not clearly defined ation of the government

hour they were paid for "carbonic pollution", at the

Other conflicts have broken out, in Paris department The consequence was the outries in postal services of outbreak of a rash of local the Paris region, and in ter of Labour, had the conflicts, strikes and stoppages, of which the most throughout the country, and the country ing that some of these spectacular is the work to where no agreement has been "perks" were modest and between manage-legitimate, while other

Bowing to progress: A German fodder silo, 90ft high and 105ft long, topples with the detonation of 51/slb of explosive to make way for a new, high-speed railway from Manaheim to Stuttgart.

> As for the Communist CGT, it has condemned the government measure as a "bad decree", and is launching a campaign for the defence of its members' acquired rights, and against any reduction in earnings. The Government has insisted only that the earnings of workers on the national minimum wage should be unaffected by the shortening of the working week

road traffic, but also at actually worked.

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ANGER OVER BELGIAN **AUSTERITY**

came apparent. The special powers make it possible to introduce by royal decree fiscal and economic measures the Government deems necessary to save the country from impending bankruptcy.

industry by cutting value added tax on construction from 17 to 6 per cent and by doing away with capital gains tax on building sites. An-other seven measures also tinker with unemployment,

Mr Edward Barrett, British Consul-General in Bilbao, commented: "I think we should try and look on the bright side. I reckon the authorites have the full michanic by nor " ment's special powers came picture by now." into force today as signs of mounting social unrest be-As many as 15,000 British football supporters could arrive in Bilbao for the game. and one idea the local tourist authorities are examining is providing extra accommo-daion in ships tied up on the

The first such measures are relatively uncontrover-sial. Two help the building

call by the socialist FGTB union for next Monday is union for next Monday is expected to receive support throughout the country, while in Wallonia members of the Christian CSC union are planning to defy their executive and ignit the protest. tive and join the protest.

New terror wave feared

From Harry Debelius, Madrid, Feb 4 The Basque separatist overthrow the constitutional organization ETA-PM can be monarchy.

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News in Summary

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Air crash kills 31 legionnaires

Paris.—Thirty-one foreign legionnaires and a five-man French Army crew were killed when their aircraft crashed during a training exercise in Djibouti, a Defence Ministry spokesman

There were no survivors when the aircraft struck a mountain in a desolate region of the former French East of the former French Last African colony. "As usual, the legionnaires were of various nationalities but no names will be released," the spokesman said. The cause of the crash was not known.

The legionnaires had just started a four-month training tour in Djibouti after arriving from Corsica. Djibouti gained independence from France in 1977 but French military units remain there under bilateral agreements.

Rubik cube world contest



Professor Erno Rubik, who will head an international jury for a world Rubik cube championship this spring.
Rules of the competition

are to be announced in March. Professor Rubik said a time limit for solving the puzzle should be set as a condition of entry. The contest is to be organized by the Hungarian Konsumex Foreign Trade Company and the Politechnika Industrial

Warship carries Crocker yacht

Port-of-Spain, Trinidad A yacht on which Michael Crocker, the British yachts-man, was murdered by an intruder on Saturday morn-ing has been taken to Curação, Dutch Antibbes, on board the British warship Fearless.

is to return to Britain at the weekend with the body of her husband which will be buried at Henley of Tuesday.

Greece protests over buzzing

Athens. - Greece has to the United States over the alleged violation of Greek airspace last Sunday by two American fighter jets, the Foreign Ministry said. The jets buzzed a Libyan airliner south of Crete.

Mr Ioannis Haralambopoulos, the Foreign Minister summoned Mr Monteagle Stearns, the American Ambassador, and delivered the protest. He then had talks with Mr Abdel Majid Gammoudi, the Libyan Libyan

Seoul police hold 11,500

arrested more than 11,500 people in the capital of South Korea in a four hour period (Jacqueline Reditt writes). Nearly half of those involved committed traffic offences. More than 1,000 were said to be habitual hoodlums, 643 juvenile delin-quents, 181 thieves, 104 were harassing citizens, while 4,064 were simply described as "others".

Haiti Cabinet reshuffled

Port-au-Prince.--President Jean-Claude Duvalier of Haiti has reshuffled his Cabinet and made several changes in his top military command. Five of the 15 Cabinet ministers were removed from their posts, three new undersecretaries of state were appointed, and the two top posts at Haiti's Central Bank were changed.

Proll sentence cut

Frankfurt. — The West German Appeals Court reduced by six months the five and a half year sentence imposed two years ago on Astrid Proll, a former member of the Terrorist Red Army Group after her extra-dition from Britain. The which a lower court found her guilty.

ETA shooting

Madrid. — The military wing of ETA, the Basque separatist organization, have claimed resonsibility for the shooting on a Spanish naval lieutenant as he was driving ing party policy. In a Jeep through Zarauz, Diplomatic sources said leftists held almost total near San Sebastian. He is Mrs Zhang's article was the sway. in a Jeep through Zarauz, near San Sebastian. He is

Polish Primate and Pope review crises

From Peter Nichols Rome, Feb 4

Mgr Glemp was accom Poland, returned from his panied by two other prelates, visit to Warsaw.
Cardinal Kacharski, the Pope's successor as Archbishop of Cracow, and Mgr Henryk Gulbinowicz, Bishop prove, if it wished, that it of Wroclaw. The three prelates were speaking with the full authority of the whole union that, in the phrase national episcopal conference and reflect varying experiences and attitudes.

Wastername was accom Poland, returned from his visit to Warsaw.

The policy agreed than was that every effort should be appointed to allow the regime to autonomy from the Soviet full authority of the whole union that, in the phrase and reflect varying experiences and attitudes.

Wroclaw remains a centre of working class oppocition to General Jaruzelski's Mgr

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be another the series of of working class oppo-sition to General Jaruzelski's regime. When Mgr Gulbinowicz left his diocese there were still reports of demonstrations, go-slows in factories and distribution of pamphlets critical of the

Government.

The bishop will certainly have reflected this more belligerent attitude while the Archbishop of Cracow is still seen to be more patient. The atmosphere, however, is

level in the Vatican as reflection on what has hap-remains, that there is no pened and what we can moderation at all in the expect in the future". There insistence on an end to mass is now felt to have been arrests without trial and on sufficient experience of General Jaruzelski's Government to attempt an appraisal of the question of whether

immediately given to understand that they were the
Pope's luncheon guests. The
survey will be exhaustive and
may last until the eve of the
Pope's departure for Nigeria
on Friday next week.

This is a vulnerable
position and is one of the
reasons, apart from questions of general principle,
why the church would welcome the reinstatement of

aware that his policy so far as the key to the situation.

The Pope, at his first has brought him more exmeeting with the Polish pressions of doubt and critiprimate, Mgr Jozef Glemp, cism than practical results. Since martial law was declared, today reviewed what chances remain of a change for the better in the Polish crisis.

Mgr Glemp was accompanied by two other prelates wisit to Warraw

not even informally approve the United States policy of sanctions in so far as they were likely to embitter the situation still more by making hungry people hungrier.
The tone of the Pope's

public appeals in the meantime has shown his growing anxiety with the failure of the regime to take to heart his demands for the recog-

atmosphere, however, is nition of human rights.
The vatican's answer to allegations of being too was described today at a high moderate towards the milievel in the vatican as "a tary junta has been, and tary junta has been, and tary junta has been, and tary junta has been. support for the Solidarity

free trade union movement.

This is the field in which
the Roman Catholic Church of the question of whether there can be hope for better feels that its weight can be things or whether "there is be mobilized and so continue nothing to be seen but a its historic role of a leading continuing long black tundered in Polich national life in modern conditions. It The three prelates went remains the one institution straight to the Pope to begin with great popular support their talks on their arrival in and so the one possible the late morning and were partner if the regime

on Friday next week. come the reinstatement of Solidarity as an active force. The fate of the union has begun dramatically for more The fate of the union has than one reason. The Pope is been described at the Vatican

Zia closes Libyan centres

From Haslan Akhtar Islamabad,

operating for some time in been explained. Rawalpindi, Lahore, Karachi and Peshawar and are Pakistan recently recalled financed with Libyan money.

Their estensible and the pakistan recently recalled the pakistan recently rec Their ostensible purpose was to foster closer contacts

General Zia ul-Hao's Gover-ment was not disclosed. Pakistan's relations with

Libya since the late Mr Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's Government was ousted in 1977 have been uneasy. Mr Agha Shahi, from power.

Libyan "friendship cen- the Pakistan Foreign Ministres" in Pakistan have been ter, made an unannounced closed on the orders of the visit to Libya last month the government. They have been object of which has never

fied "security jobs" in Libya. at people-to-people level. The it has been frequently re-reason for their closure by ported that Libya is harbouring anti-Government Pakista-nis and even financing some clandestine activities by the Al Zulf Ikar Movement headed by sons of Mr Bhutto, who was hanged after his fall



Down to earth at 60 mph

Private Terry Bennett, mated at between 60 and functioned.

aged 20, of the United 70 miles an hour. She States Army's elite Golden escaped with a dislocated Knights parachute team, elbow, two broken bones fell 8,500ft to the ground in her wrist, and a chipafter her parachutes malped right ankle bone. Private Bennett, who

has completed 850 jumps,
The tangled main and said her parachutes had reserve canopies slowed tangled like "a big bag of her descent, but her speed garbage". She landed in a when she hit the ground ploughed, muddy field, near Fort Bragg, North which absorbed most of Carolina, was still esti- the shock.—Reuter.

Demand for purge of left in China

Peking, Feb 4. — A senior against bureaucratic Vice-Chairman, who said in Chinese official called today practices.

Mrs Zhang, one of the few members who joined the court ruled that Fraulein for a purge of remaining Proll should be punished for leftists in the Communist her role in one bank robbery Party hierarchy as China rather than two others for planned further reductions in radical influence in its

bureaucracy.

Mrs Zhang Yun, a member party. She accused many of the influential party members of using their disciplinary committee, wrote in the ideological journal Red.

She said the problem to a Flag that followers of the disgraced Maoist "Gang of Four" still held high positions and were sabotaging party policy. lution of 1966-76, when

to be satisfactory in strongest appeal for a purge To support her case, Mrs to be satisfactory in strongest appeal for a purge To support her case, Mrs to appear so far in China's Zhang quoted a speech by Mr two-month-old campaign Deng Xiaoping, the powerful

women in the higher echelons of China's leadership,
said getting rid of leftist line, some have never
influence was one of the
main problems facing the
as models for the masses and party under the extreme leftist line, some have never are not up to standard." Mrs position for personal gain. previously unpublished.

She said the problem to a port by the disciplinary arrest arose because committee which attacked members in Zhang also quoted from a corrupt party members in unusually strong terms.

> The reprot also said many officials "have changed from servants of the people to old gentlemen who ride on the backs of the people, tyrani-cally abusing their powers".

CIA and last days of the Shah



Seething dissent that Washington ignored

From Michael Hamlyn New York, Feb 4

A fascinating description of the closing stages of the rule of the Shah of Iran is being extracted here from the 13 volumes of documents spized when the United scized when the United States Embassy in Tehran was invaded. They have now been published in Iran.
One striking feature of the detailed reports from the American diplomats and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) men is how accurately they reflected what was

going on, and how well they forecast the future events. The public statements of the Carter Administration, and to some extent the official high-level reports being offered by the Ambassador conflicted with the ground-level intelligence reporting and with reports from middle-rank diplomats. Hitherto the CIA has been blamed for providing inaccurate assessments of the Shah's weakness and the mullahs' strength. This is now seen as less than fair to the agents on the ground.

The picture drawn by the documents is of a Shah documents is of a Snan surrounded by a corrupt and venal court, blackmailing did admit that their information material washington into vastly experiments of the documents of the documents of a Snan The intelligence or construction was "potty", as critics have insisted; but the documents of a Snan The intelligence or construction was "potty", as critics have insisted; but the documents is of a Snan The intelligence or construction was "potty", as critics have insisted; but the documents is of a Snan The intelligence or construction was "potty". cessive arms purchases, while a seething religious leadership built up more and more strength in the mosques and bazaars.

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Extracts from the documents published in the Washington Post over the with the Shah's huge military past few days show that machine was extremely loath doubts about the stability of the regime appeared in secret. Nor were the intelligence the regime appeared in secret estimates from the CIA and State Department analysts two full years before the Iranian revolution.

They also show that the oversupply of arms to the Shah caused some worrying questions to be asked. For example a major intelligence review drawn up by Mr David
Blee in 1976, then the
national intelligence officer
for the Middle East, says:

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a clear perception of the Shah's long-range objectives, for example, why is he acquiring such a vast array of sophisticated military hardware? The Shah states that adequate defences

GIBRALTAR

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IS SOUGHT

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 4

Gibraltar and its future

statute as an integral part of Spain would be the central

theme of negotiations with

Britain starting on April 20, Senor José Pedro Perez Llorca, the Spanish Foreign Minister, told Parliament in

Madrid today.

The talks will open near

Lisbon on the same day as Spain lifts its blockade of Gibraltar. Senor Perez Llorca

said Spain would seek guarantees of identical treat-

ment for its nationals with those for the Gibraltarians.

He was reporting to the foreign affairs committee of

the Lower House on last month's talks in London between Mrs Margaret That-

cher and Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, the Spanish

The Foreign Minister emphasized: "The one thing Spain will not accept of anybody is the possibility to dispose of the future of a

territory which is an integral part of Spain and whose future statute will be the central theme."

Prime Minister. ..



Peacock splendour: The Shah, his wife and son at the unveiling of the Reza Shah monument to 50 years of the Pahlavi dynasty in 1976.

against communist-equipped Reza has betrayed an essen-iraq are merely precaution-ary, yet the placement of new protection of Islam. The bases suggests other in-

blame must go, the docu-ments point out, to the lack

Not were the intelligence men well informed about the simple basics of decisionmaking within the Shah's Government. Did the Shah decide everything for himself, or did he delegate broad authority to others, are questions that were debated in the documents with no conclusions

But where the documents were extremely accurate was in their assessment of the role to be played by the clergy. As early as 1976, a year before President Carter described Iran as "an island of stability", the CIA was reporting: "In the eyes of the religious leaders, Muhammad

present generation of religious leaders, moreover, seems to be convinced that the Shah, as his father before him, is determined to destroy Islam in Iran."

The CIA even estimated that "probably no more than 10 per cent of the clergy can be counted as outright supporters of the Shah". These "are probably the least influential of the clergy and are considered by many to be no better than government

More important, the report said "probably 50 per cent are in outright opposition to the Government and are wholly dependent on their popular following for sup-port. This includes nearly every religious leader of any

Another CIA report describes bluntly the near isolation of the Shah and the an assortment of licentious and financially corrupt rela-

Two years later the middleranking diplomats and CIA agents were painting an appropriately even gloomier appropriately even gloomer picture. But still, official Washington appeared to be under-regarding them. Mr William Sullivan, the Ambassador, was still expressing optimism in his official cables until late in 1978

point riots in Jaleh Square in September 1978, when army units and helicopter gunships massacred a crowd of demon-strators, the Carter Administration renewed its support

for the Shah. While Mr Victor Tomseth, the American Cousul (who was later a hostage), reported that anti-American feeling was rapidly growing, the Ambassador forwarded much more optimistic assessments. Mr Tomseth wrote that anti-American sentiment

often took the form of: "We have nothing against you personally, but Iranians dis-like Americans because 1) You keep the Shah in power; 2) American weapons kill our people; 3) You are a bad moral influence on our children; 4) You do not respect Islam; 5) You have caused inflation and short-ages, etc. Several people, out of genuine concern for individual Americans they know, have advised that they leave Iran quickly lest some-thing happen to them."

But Mr Sullivan a few days the Government enormously complicated . . . task of establishing its leadership, creating some sense of confidence in the Government itself, and achieving a popular consensus for its policies."

A month later, and only two months before the Shah's fall, Mr Sullivan wrote: "While it is too early to make definitive predic tions, there are encouraging character of those surroundindications that the Iranian
ing him: "The royal court crisis may have passed a
has traditionally been a fever point and opened some
hotbed of Byzantine scheming. In the Shah's family are

resolution."

He added: "In the mean-time, the Khomeini star seems to be waning."

taped Oval office calls Boston,

Kennedy

Massachusetts. Feb 4 — President John Kennedy secretly recorded conversations and telephone calls with world leaders, congressmen and his aides while he was in the White House, Mr Dan Fenn, the director of the Kennedy Library said Today.

"I have no reason to think they knew they were being taped," Mr Fenn said of the people recorded in 100 to 140 hours of taped meetings and conversations. The tapes are being examined at the library here in preparation for their release to the public, possibly

this summer. Mr Fenn said 250 telephone conversations and 325 meetings in the Oval Office in the White House were recorded from mid-1962 to November 1963, 15 days before the resident was assassinated. Among those recorded in telephone calls were Marshal ito of Yugoslavia, General Douglas MacArthur, Dr Billy Graham, the evangelist and Mr Adlai Stevenson, the United States representative at the United Nations under President Kennedy, The list President Kennedy. The list also includes members of Congress, according to an index of the tapes that Mr

Fenn had. The subjects of the conversations included Vietnam, the Cuban missile crisis, the integration of the University of Mississippi and civil rights in general.

"I haven't the vaguest idea why Kennedy used the tapes or saved them," Mr Fenn said. "I hope we'll be able to open some of them early this summer. When they're available, they'll be available to anyone, junior high school students, Arthur Schlesinger or anyone.

Any potentially classified material will be referred to the originating agency, which will decide whether to keep it classified or allow the museum to release it, Miss Evelyn Lincoln, Kennedy's personal sec-retary was quoted by the Washington Post today as

saying that the President threw a switch as a signal to her start taping. She would activate either a recorder attached to his telephone or microphones in the Oval According to the report, the most frequent names listed among participants were Robert Kennedy, the

Attorney-General, and brother of the President, Mr Dean Rusk, the Secretary of State, and Mr Robert McNamara,

The identities of six of the people Kennedy had spoken to and recorded, as well as later reported: "An air of calm has been restored to the cities . . . but the Shah and the Covernment face and the subject matter of their conversations, were blacked the subject matter of their conversations, which is a subject to the conversations of the subject matter of their conversations. conversations, were blacked out on the log obtained by the newspaper.

The existence of some Kennedy tapes — but not their extent — had been known ever since a statement by Mr Fenn in 1973. The Kennedy family handed over the tapes to the library in

A secret taping system installed by President Nixon led to his resignation during the Watergate scandal, when it was revealed that the recorded conversations recorded conversations varied from his statements on the affair. Mr Nixon's system, unlike President Kennedy's, was voice-activated, and contained about 4,000 hours of conversation.

American social issues, 1

Right wingers stir up new busing battle

Congress A week after hearing President Reagan promise to continue America's "long journey towards civil rights for all our citizens". Con-gress is bracing itself for a

legislative confrontation over the emotionally-charged issue of school busing.

With the backing of conservative Republicans who control the Senate, two senators — Mr Orrin Hatch of Utah and Mr John East of North Carolina — are intro-ducing a Bill which would abolish forced busing in all but a few exceptional cases. Liberal Republicans and Democrats alike have sworn to oppose the Bill at every stage of its passage through Congress. And civil rights leaders have promised that if

it is ever approved the Bill will be challenged in the Supreme Court.
The move against busing is one of a number of proposed Bills which the Republican right wing is pushing rapidly forward in the new session to enact the conservative social agenda, delayed last year while President Regan's ecomonic programme was being steered through Con-

gress. Busing is high on this agenda because for nearly two decades it has been viewed by liberals as a symbol of racial desegregation, and by conservatives as a specially outrageous example of federal interference with the personal choices of citizens.

The Bill has already been welcomed by the Senate judiciary committee whose chairman, Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, Senator Strom is a leading Republican hawk. Senator Lowell Weicker of

This article by Peter David Connecticut, a liberal Repub-is the first of three by Our lican, intends to use every Washington Staff on social possible parliamentary delay-issues facing the American ing tactic to block the legislation in the Senate and

marshal public opposition to the measure.

Moreover, the Bill will not even be debated in the House of Representatives unless its supporters can outflank the committee by collecting enough signatures for a discharge petition — a rarely used procedure to force debate on a Bill rejected in

Critics of busing say that bringing black children into schools which were pre-viously predominantly white has lowered standards and inflamed the racial tensions the policy was intended to reduce.

Supporters of busing claim the Bill would undermine the Supreme Court's historic ruling in 1954 outlawing racial segregation. And they say that by stripping federal courts of their power to enforce long-standing civil her rights laws the Rill would be rights laws, the Bill would be unconstitutional infringement by Congress of the jurisdiction of courts.

President Reagan against identifying too close-ly with the Bill, although he opposes forced busing in principle. But the President is likely to be dragged into the controversy if the Bill is ever approved.

Mr Arthur Flemming, whom the President recently dismissed as chairman of the Commission on Civil Rights, after it published a report calling for stronger administration support of busing, said the commission would ask the President to veto the Bill if it were approved by Congress. If he refused, the Bill would be challenged in court on constitutional grounds.

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Khmer Rouge at the United

call on General Prem Tinasu-landonda, the Thai Prime

Minister. This afternoon he

saw Major-General Chatichai Choonhavan, the Minister of

Industry, being joined later

nessmen who are accompany ing him on his tour of the

Nong Samet settlement of the Khmer People's

Nong Samet Settlement C. Khmer People's National Liberation Front, only a chart distance from Viet-

camp holding about 1,000 Vietnamese who have left

Vietnam and travelled over

At Nong Samet, Lor Carrington will watch distribution of food and me

public and private source

since the programme to feed Cambodian refugees began.

£55,000 to the United Nations

Britain has recently given

land through Cambodia.

Tomorrow Lord Carrington

five Asean countries.

After his meeting with the

Nations as a tactical move

Britain tries to stop Vietnam aid by Europe

From David Watts, Bangkok, Feb 4

Carrington, the Rouge to join the loose has opposition coalition. Foreign Secretary, has agreed to use his influence in Europe to try to prevent any further aid going to Vietnam Mohamed, the Malaysian from EEC countries.

The Foreign Secretary withdrawal of support for the

The Foreign Secretary gave a pledge to make Thai views known when he met Air Chief Marshal Sitthi Savetsila, the Thai Foreign Minister, today.

Britain and Thailand share the United States view that no assistance should go to Vietnam while its troops remain in Cambodia. Both France and the EEC Commission have given assistance for a plenary session with the to Vietnam against the eight leading British busito Vietnam against the wishes of the Association of South-East Asian Nations

France has given aid worth £20m and the Commission flies to the Cambodian border gave emergency medical aid to see a refugee camp with to Vietnam last December 40,000 Cambodians; visit worth £175,000 through nonovernmental agencies. The ommission aid was opposed by five EEC countries

short distance from Viet-namese forces; and see The French assistance, has particularly the South-East Asian countries, was given in the belief that Vietnam should be encouraged to give up its dependence on the Soviet Union. British aid workers. Britain and the EEC have contri-buted more than £30m from

It comes at a time when the French are assuming a more active diplomatic role in Indo-China and before proiected contacts at foreign minister level with Hanoi this spring. There is speculation among Bangkok diplomats that the French may be temarche over the future of

The discussions today were point.

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where he will have the rare which there is "a broad where he will have the rare measure of agreement", both honour for a foreign minister seeing advantage in putting of an audience with King pressure on the Khmer Bhumiphol Adulyadej.

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are seen here as a step in the right direction — about £2,000m were spent on arms

purchases between 1978 and

state telephone company.

Peking's offer seen as ploy

Expulsion hearing for doctor adjourned

A British doctor who has to fight a deportation order.

few minutes before

room, a nightmare of stacket dusty files, the magistrate looked down at the lawyers began working on his own, supported by donations from

permit for some time, the authorities would not renew it and Dr Preger carried on without one until the deportation was served. He believes the Bangladesh Government the Bangladesh Government has asked the West Bengal Government to expel him because he had demonstrated frequently, with placards, at the Bangladesh High Commission office in Calcutta against an alleged trade in children.

I know you are an intellec articles in the newspapers concerning your policy of cutting down the univer-sities. The first was in last Sunday's Sunday Times and was called "Carry on Cutting Sir Keith". The next, in this paper on February 2, was called "The Second Battle of

> Both were written by experts from my own univer-sity. The cutter is an expert in dentist's materials (a semor lecturer, no less); the defender was our Vice-Chan-cellor. The cutter, Dr Anselm Kuhn, believes that most university lecturers are a bunch of layabouts, and who am I to argue that this is not his personal experience? It is not, as it happens, my own.

not, as it happens, my own.

The Vice-Chancellor argued, forcefully, I thought, that the universities are the essence of our culture. But I have the impression that culture or no you yourself regard them as rather like a Rolls-Royce: good, but also expensive and a luxury our poor nation can no longer afford in the style to which afford in the style to which

the manufacture of false teeth nor in the administration of universities. I am minor expert in international statistics on the economics of education. In this capacity I recently decided to put British universities to test. Are they, by international standards, unusually expens-

To be honest, I rather expected to find there was at least some truth in such accusations. So great is the force of conventional wisdom that I was genuinely surprised to find that almost every number I could lay my hands on seemed to show precisely the opposite. Please

I cannot believe that you or your predecessors would have embarked on the present course of action had you known these facts. Perhaps the reason they are not more widely appreciated is that they require collation from several different international sources.

I happen to agree with you and your colleagues on a number of important matters. I agree with your own view that educational policy gener-ally needs greater emphasis on value for money, provided that by "value" we mean "output" and by educational output we mean acquisition of learning.

I also agree that public expenditure must be reduced or restrained, if only because in this country the public sector has now become the main engine of inflation. I agree with the principle that the criticism directed at in all institutions producing intangibles, such as universities, there is an inherent tendency for input to become excessive relative to output (layabout dons, etc): there-fore periodic shake-ups are desirable. One desirable reform for universities the world over would be abolition of security of tenure. An-other would be subjecting all departments to periodic peer

review.
Your own policies, however, are not at all designed to increase the productivity of British higher education

If this country is to recover her confidence and prosperity she needs more graduates, not fewer'

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Robin Marris steps up the debate on our universities with an open letter to Sir Keith Joseph and a challenging

international comparison of the costs of higher education

Why British graduates are the best

value for money in the world



Joseph: all the facts?

You and your ministers are

fond of saying that inter-national comparisons of high-er education statistics are

valid. You are wrong. There is an international

standard for educational stat-

the rather precise concept of students enrolled on courses

leading to first university

Of course there is variation

in the quality of a first degree, but unlike you or any of your ministers, Sir, I have

taught at universities throughout the world. I have

taught American students in hundreds and European stu-

Sir Keith

education.

student enrolled in higher education is comparatively high in this country. This, however, is more than compensated by superior efficiency in the educational process. In Britain, 25 per cent of students enrolled in first-degree courses graduate communist developed councation. This eliminates some just under 14 per cent-students at some countries. No other country No other country comes near the British performance; the nearest is Belgium, with 19 per cent; the lowest developed countries for which there is data are the

universities and brings in many of our own students at polytechnics and colleges of which there is data are the Italy and The Netherlands, both around 7 per cent.

As a result of this striking discrepancy the real cost of producing a British graduate is well below the European average. (Please see the table, unfortunatley stastistics are not available for

Professor Robin Marris: cost-effective graduates tries is not that they have been taught, and have ed, more intensively. wrongly, more highly selec-ted. So only a small pro-

to graduate and the great majority graduate quickly, countries in a shorter time In some other countries, drop-out rates are as high as 50 per cent and average time for successful students is as much as six years.

Elitist? Yes we do indeed lot of votes.

ave the lowest enrolment of So you are trying to irst-degree students of any produce the same result indirectly by physically rehave the lowest enrolment of first-degree students of any developed non-communist country. Whether this means we are elitist depends on concepts. In my view a student is a unit of work in ever, are not at all designed to increase the productivity of British higher education and may in fact reduce it. Your policies are aimed simply at reducing output. These experiences have that this is in the national that this is in the national interest at the present time?

I fear you must be suffering from a particularly unfortunate side effect of the British Disease. Embittered by our national economic favour the UK.

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support for a policy of reducing the number further. If this country is to recover her confidence and pros-perity she needs more graduates, not fewer. The fact that the proportion of the population of university age is oing through a phase of cline is quite irrelevant. What matters to a modern society is the ultimate stock of graduates per head of opulation. Any country that llows that statistic to decline is allowing herself to decline.

Polemics concluded, may I

now offer you some concrete suggestions? I assume that suggestions: a assume that you will be completely con-vinced by my argument that we should not be aiming to reduce the cultural level of our society by reducing graduates per capita. So you must at once reverse your policy of physically restraining future student numbers. But you are fully entitled to insist that the anti-inflationary impact of your policies be nevertheless retained.

you can safeguard this by maintaining the cash cuts you have already imposed while letting individual institutions determine their own may opt for cash salary cuts their individual contribution.

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given our financial system, it is in many cases impossible

I rather think you believe that my policy is what you are already doing. Not so. You are imposing physical limits on student numbers. Almost equally serious is an moutation being put around by the Association of Univerity Teachers: they are say-ing, Sir, that if a group of mics accepted a volum tary salary cut you would merely reduce the grant to that institution pro rata!

My most concrete propose

is a challenge that you publicly deny that incredible suggestion. It is incredible of course, because it is laid at the door of a monetarist government that claims to believe that in the control of cash, rather than of "real" quantities, is to be found the secret of deflation.

Finally we reach what I know to be your most difficult problem: student government finance. They world. They also confer a deserved benefit on the upwardly mobile

hard to get the qualifications a type that could easily defect to the Liberal/SDP Alliance. You are well aware that if you reduce the scale of grants, or freeze them in cash terms, you could lose a

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straining university admissions and thus the number of qualified grant applicauts. To accuse a politician of cowardice is like accusing a whore of frigidity. But to a whore of frigidity. But to accuse a Conservative politician of putting party interest above national interest is to accuse God of sin.

I am sure, Sir Keith, you would not like to go down in history with such a thing around your head. Please think again.

From Trevor Fishlock, Calcutta, Feb 4

been working for two years among the slum and pave-ment dwellers of Calccutta appeared in court here today Dr Jack Preger, who is 51 and was born in Manchester, was expelled from India las summer but returned shorly afterwards in defiance of the authorities to continue his work among the poor.

He was arrested and jailed for nine days in August. He has been carrying on his work while the unhurried legal processes have ground

today's hearing Dr Preger's lawyer asked him for some money. The doctor refused saying he had already been given some, and the lawyer announced he was too ill to were then given to another lawyer.

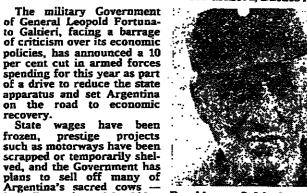
In the small, dark court

and said: "This case must be expedited. Do not be sluggish." He then adjourned the proceedings until Saturday. Dr Preger, who was educated at Oxford Universty, first came to India in 1979. He had been working in Bangladesh bu was expelled after alleging that a number of children sent to Europe for adoption had been used in pornagraphic photographs.
He started working with
mother Teresa's organization
in Calcutta and eventually

every vessel carrying Viet-namese refugees to Thailand is attacked by pirates at some Peking. — China's offer to diplomats here as an attempt negotiate a time limit on to appear flexible rather than American arms sales to an indication of a wish to Taiwan was seen by Western compromise.

Junta's economic battle

Argentina cuts forces spending



including the debt-ridden Yacimientos Petroliferos President Galtieri: Surprised at the vehemence of the criticism

tate telephone company.

The military's budget cuts mann, the Economy Ministre seen here as a step in the ter, is quietly confident that he will pull the country out of the mire before the end of the year.
But he faces a monumental

1979, according to calculations by Senor Alvaro task: the foreign debt now Alsogaray the former Ecomostands at about £15,000m, ny Minister. But many scepti-cal Argentines recall that a similar denationalization programme was promised six years ago, when the military in addition, inflation is foreign reserves fell 50 per

years ago, when the military took power from President Isabel Peron, but was never carried out.

In the eyes of political parties, who scented blood when the military's second President, General Roberto Viola, was overthrown last

Viola, was overthrown last December, denationalization is akin to treason. Pamphlets deploring the alleged new business and refrain from business and refrain from deploring the alleged new "colonization" of Argentina were scattered in Buenos Aires streets recently. The junta, determined to keep a firm rein on dissent, made several arrests. several arrests. army high command jailed Government officials tend General Juan Carlos Ongania, to play down the economic a former military President.

for a month for statements an end to the liberalism on eral is said to have the lower-ranking officers, who are unwilling to see about 40 military-run companies sold to private

President Galtieri appears his Government so soon after assuming office. When touring a new children's hospital last week he told a group of pensioners who were heck-ling him: "Remember, I will be an old age pensioner, too, some day". A woman replied: Yes, but you will not be receiving the minimum pen-sion." The President turned

away, irritated.

A union official said last week that the patience of Argentine workers was wear-ing thin. He told the weekly news magazine, Somos, that the trade unions had been patient with the two previous military governments "Be-cause we were asked to give the Covernment, time to calve the Government time to solve the country's problems-

not make use of our cooper ation. We were deceived."

The multi-party grouping, which includes the Justicialists (Perónists), the powerful Radicals, the Christian Democrats, the Movement for Integration and Development for Integration and Develop-ment and the lintransigent Party, is strongly opposed to the Government's economic policies and is expected to call for a national strike later this week. Perouist sources say the unions have already promised the political parties their support for the strike.

TO HAND

From Christopher Thomas
New York, Feb 4
The influential pro-gun
lobby in the United States is
about to launch its first
important legal challenge
against the small Illinois town of Morton Grove, where it has been illegal since last

The case will centre on an interpretation of the Illinois constitution, which says "Subject only to the police power, the right of an individual citizen to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

If that fails, the NRA will take its challenge to federal

American Constitution which gives a qualified right to

I don't know how far journalists associated with the Morning Star approve of best-sellerdom, that accolade of the capitalist market-place, but I hope that they are all pleased with their colleague Robert Leeson's recent achievement. Ever since The achievement. Ever since The Times began to publish its lists of best-selling books his name has appeared in one chart or another, and now Fontana books are celebrating the sale of the one millionth copy of the three books in his paperback "Grange Hill" series.

Properly enough the sale

has taken place in a school — in the school bookshop at in the school bookshop at Blackthorn Middle School, Northampton — and this should be doubly satisfying for Mr Leeson. For while it suits nicely the character of the series as a portrayal of contemporary school life, it also acknowledges the author's acceptance of his audience as a partner in the audience as a partner in the books' success. Bob Leeson is not merely dismissive of writers who write only for stories are instead freshly themselves — "the quintessence of bourgeois egoism?"—
he actively seeks the help of young readers in the planning and writing of his books.



Grange Hill: a successful series on television and in print in 1980) is that it may help to children's literature more what he calls "the state

advance his campaign "to change the landscape of children's literature". For the "Grange Hill" books are not just re-tellings of the plots from the successful television series — although the writer of that series, Phil Redmond, is always acknowledged on the book's covers and in their imprints. The conceived, self-contained adventures, using the charac-ters known to the television

The existence of this ready-made fictional compre-What may also be satisfy bensive school with its mixing to Mr Leeson about his ture of social groups was a rapidly won fame (the first useful ground-plan for a "Grange Hill" book appeared writer who looks to make

relevant to working class school story which has to be children — which is what a community story of as community story in seems to be about. For 10 years now Bob Leeson has pupils". (And among those years now Bob Leeson has pupils". (And among those argued with patience and unspecified others you may books which will take the politicians be sure that there also lurk growing resemblance to the account of changes in society and serve as a counterweight to (not a replacement of) the "middle class" literature of times gone by In several portentions historical stories, that the "Grange Hill" saga and in a lightweight enter- is successful in inverse even if there is some attended times gone to the landscaping on the landscaping empted rape going on notion of "community".)

slangy quips of homo compre-hensious, and every book contains little incidents of contains little incidents of itatural comedy, usually inspired by Tucker Jenkins. But as the stories progress from the carefully worked out, carefully timed Grange Hill Rules OK? through the pastoral Grange Hill for Sale, what craftsmanship there was gives way to a set of predictable manipulations. Plotting is ever more lacourie Plotting is ever more laconic (in imitation of television story-lining?). Characters turn to pasteboard. Political issues fraught with worrying complexity are reduced to plot-maker's cement and stuck on like ornaments round the edges.

It is pointless to speculate if these books about Grange Hill would have sold a million this would have sold a minion copies if they had not been boosted by the long-ranning children's soap opera. Their growing resemblance to the mass-market school story of tainment, The Third Class Genie (recently published in hardback by Hamish Bob, For sure his connect has the preached, and in "Grange Hill" he got his chance to expand upon

Anger at British 'snub' to acid rain talks

From Tony Samstag, Brusseis, Feb 4

European environmentalists are angry at the refusal
of Mr Michael Heseltine, the
Secretary of State for the
Environment, to attend a
ministerial conference on
acid rain in Stockholm next
June. Of 15 European countries that have so far
responded to the invitation,
only the British are sending
scandal". A recent visit to

that affects a large area of issue", he added.

central and northern Europe, was evident at a common of the common

Environmental Bureau ment, was planning to attend which represents about 70 the Stockholm meeting, but, national conservation agen- a spokesman added, no snub-cies and pressure groups, was intended. "This is the consistently criticized what way that ministerial business they see as a lack of urgency is conducted", he said. The in controlling emissions of Government was extremely sulphur dioxide, in particusensitive to the issue of acid lar. Such emissions tend to rain. concentrate over Scandinavia because of an unfortunate expression for the effects of gives a qual coincidence of airstream certain kinds of air pollution possess arms.

was evident at a seminar on the subject in Brusseis that ended yesterday.

Members of the European Secretary for the European

"Acid rain" is a shorthand

CHALLENGE GUNS BAN

Monday to possess a hand

responded to the invitation, Stockholm invitation was "a Monday to possess a name only the British are sending an official of less than Britain by Mr Anders ministerial rank.

Collective European anger ter of Agriculture, had at the British, who are held responsible for much of the suspicions that the British long-range airborne pollution were "trying to duck the long-range area of issue", he added.

Monday to possess a name of the National Rifle Association, which has a million feepaying members and is by far the richest of the pro-gun groups, is financing an appeal by two Morton Grove that affects a large area of issue", he added. Supreme Court.

> level and argue that Morton Grove's ban violates the Second Amendment to the

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Guarded humour

Queen Mary asked him to sing his uncensored version of "When I'm Cleaning Windows", the Russians voted him second favourite to Stalin — which meant, if you think about it, he was probably No 1 — and he was earning £100,000 a year in 1938 as Britain's most beloved film to the start of the loved film star. It seems George Formby had only one piece of bad luck: his wife, Beryl, was the proverbial ball and chain. She was the business brain, and the bad luck made him.

His father, a famous Edwardian comedian, had meant him to be a jockey and sent him off as an apprentice but, when father died, George junior — who had not won a race — took to the boards and before long was fancying one of two clog-dancing sisters from Accrington.

The George Formby Story, presented by Forty Minutes on BBC 2 last night, suggested that George never ceased fancying women but, after he had caught Beryl, fancying was as far as he could go. The melon methods the second of the melon chartering teeth chartering bear-trap teeth, clattering ukulele and giggling innuendo were the props of a marital prisoner under strict guard, on and off set.

In his films he only managed to kiss one leading lady, Googie Withers, and Phyllis Calvert, who made Let George Do It with him in 1940, testified that Beryl's security was so good that he only managed to appear in her dressing room door for a brief but eloquent "Ee, I'm crazy about you.'

That film, in which George, in a dream sequence, punched Hitler on the nose, was said to have raised morale to its highest level during the war. This was the film the Russians saw, which ran for a year, re-named Dinky Doo, in Moscow, and which might, had Uncle Joe been a more fair-minded chap, have given a lad from Wigan the No 2 position for a May Day

During the war, where Churchill went George was likely to follow. He was the first entertainer to visit the Middle East and altogether entertained some three mil-lion Allied troops. And Beryl

After the war it all sagged a little but in the Fifties he was back at the top in Zip Goes a Million until a heart attack cut him short and house. Beryldene, of course.

Then cancer struck Beryl and she turned to the bottle Michael Dean, who wrote and narrated this excellent essay in nostalgia, reported that during this period George was about to revolt as Beryl had denied him the solace of the Catholic Church but, in her illness, George stuck by her and testified on television

She died in 1960. George shocked everyone who had not glimpsed the chains or heard the rattle by announcing his engagement to a young Catholic schoolteacher six weeks later. Within two weeks of that, he had a heart attack and died. It had not turned out nice again after all. Now his films and the determined strumming of the George Formby Society en-sure that the memory lingers

It was a happy, sad story, well produced by Ann Paul with good witnesses in Irene Handl, Tommy Trinder, Bill Logan and Phyllis Calvert: another well-occupied Forty

Dennis Hackett



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Masterly vision of moral collapse

The Contract (AA)

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Polish Cinema: The Non-Realists

National Film Theatre

A Girl From Lorraine (AA)

Academy

Deadly Blessing (X)

Studio, Oxford Street; Classic, Haymarket

Hell Night (X)

Classics, Oxford Street, Leicester Square

If there were more picturegoers in

the Foreign Office and the State Department, diplomatic under-standing of the Polish situation might well be more profound. Looking back over the whole of cinema history, it is not too much to say that at no time have artists so clearly expressed the crisis and the conscience of a nation as did the Polish film-makers from the late Seventies to the end of 1981. The latest issue of Sight and Sound contains one of the last interviews with Andrzej Wajda before the December takeover. The interviewer, Gustaw Moszcz, comments: "In the context of a degenerating political system which encouraged nepotism rather than intelligence, Wajda's cinema was one of the last bastions of hope, honesty, integrity and genu-ine democratic ideals . . . His films captivated Polish audiences through their ability to summarize and encapsulate the byzantine complexities of the Polish state, vivid visual statements of the vivid visual statements of the social malaise. Increasingly they became vehicles for dramatic analysis of the collapse of social morality, destroying the lives of private, impotent individuals . . . "

The authorities were keenly aware of Wajda's effort. In 1978 Index received parts of a code of

index reprinted parts of a code of practice spirited out by some mole in the Polish censor's office, the year before. "His theatrical and film output and the interviews he gives", concluded the censorship, "demonstrate that, in ideological and political terms, he is not with

us. He takes the stand, often met with in artists, of an 'impartial judge' of the history of our days."

Alongside Wajda stands Krzysztof Zanussi, whose films — in
particular the triptych formed by
Camouflage, The Constant Factor
and The Contract — have few
parallels as analyses of moral decay and self-deceit. The Contract is the last of them to arrive in London and seems in retrospect the most remarkable. I first saw it at a preview in the Warsaw television studios in the early summer of 1980, at the moment of the first reports of strikes on the the first reports of strikes on the Baltic coast. At that time it seemed very remarkable for its outspokenness; but it is only now, with the hindsight of the succeeding 18 months, that we can wholly appreciate this microcosm of a continuous of the verge of a continuous conti society on the verge of moral

Like a lot of the most profound social and moral analyses in art social and moral analyses in art—
like Sterne, Chekhov, Buñuel or
Renoir's La Règle du Jeu, with
which The Contract has some
superficial resemblances— it
carries its wisdom lightly. For the
first time Zanussi works through
laughter, and shows himself a
master of the comedy that borders
on farce.

on farce.

The film is the story of a wedding party, and of the family and guests who bravely try to keep up appearances even though the bride flees from the altar and the groom ends up setting the house on fire. The opening scene, where the horses of the privileged almost run down an innocent citizen, a little old lady who is only trying to feed the birds, is a metaphor which comes in handy for ulterior reflection: this is that destruction of "the lives of private, impotent

The marriage begins far from auspiciously as the guests arrive for the civil formalities which precede the church ceremony, though the groom's father beams persistently through every setback. His first wife, the groom's mother, arrives hatchet-faced and unforgiving. The bride's father, some sort of Official; radiates the authentic chill of officialdom and deplores such demonstrations of democracy as inviting his driver to eat with the guests. Foreign relations and friends add to the dismay and confusion; "How dismay and confusion; "How damned rude", says the bride's father, "to come here unable to speak a word of Polish".

The comedy builds up as the party moves on to the rizzy villa just built by the groom's father— a cardiologist with some evidently very profitable business sidelines.
There are high jinks in the
Swedish sauna, a kleptomaniac at
large, a couple locked in the bathroom, a pack of fierce dogs on



Patience against flamboyance; Maya Komarowska (left) and Leslie Caron in "The Contract"

the night and snow; and the cat has done something dreadful under the carpet. The groom's father rekindles an old flame for his flamboyant French sister-in-law (Leslie Caron); his wife (Maya Komarowska) looks patiently on, the single representative of comparative sanity and solidity.

The guest of honour, a Minister, makes a regal descent. Everyone, it turns out, is intent on trading what favours he can. The Minister eyes a seductive woman and asks if it is a car or flat she needs. Everyone is on the make, down to the passing punk who wants a medical certificate to excuse himself from school the morning after. Not even the Church itself can stand outside the universal game of bending, breaking or evading the rules.

Zanussi's structure is masterly. The farce escalates; the laughter grows desperate and suddenly dies away; the calm Komarowska is left alone with the little bride, now returned and chastened, as they wander in the woods. "What has happened — all this mess within us and around us? Where will it lead?" Now, of course, we know.

Zanussi as writer-director is both deep and lucid. His special genius is the ability to pose the most fundamental problems, of how to live, how to discover some constant values for existance (in The Contract this is the difficult quest of the hapless bride and groom, central figures in the moral chaos). At the same time he is able to perceive the problems in a large historical context.

This special historical sense has since been demonstrated in his film about the Poland of Pope bathroom, a pack of fierce dogs on the rampage, the groom drunk out of his mind, the aged namy wandering off all resentment into with some hostility. Last week the statement into with some hostility with some hostility. Last week the statement into with some hostility with some hostility. Last week the statement into with some hostility with some hostility with some hostility. Last week the statement into with some hostility with some hostili John Paul II, From a Far Country.

Murder in Mind

pour out her day's disasters

in a phone conversation which we are conveniently

allowed to hear too. Her plane has just gone down in Hames. On comes Roy Dotrice claiming to be her husband, only to be met with

a torrent of terrified denials in which she thoughtfully includes more information for our benefit. The house

has 40 acres of parkland, for instance; she is in the art-marketing business which she shares with her husband,

sister, and cousin, none of

Strand

Manila, Festival gave a fresh opportunity to see it and to discover that with the perspective of the months between we can better recognize the film's stature, alongside Wajda's Man of Iron, as an epic witness of Poland's history. There are some personal foot-

notes to The Contract. Tadeusz Lomnicki, who plays the groom's father, is now barely recognizable as the idealistic young hero of Wajda's early classic A Generation; in the years since then he has become an important political figure within the Party. Maya Komarowska, who plays his wife, is still in Warsaw, giving less time now to acting than to organizing food and other relief for internees. The jolly, plump comedienne who sings at the wedding, and is later prominent at the party, is now in prison. She is an actress whose career, except for the Solidarity months, has long been curtailed because of political disapproval: few directors except Zanussi (she

also appears in Camouflage, though her name is not found on the credit ritles) have been prepared to give her work in films. Next week the National Film Theatre is presenting a short season of some of the less significant Polish films of the past year or so. The most interesting among them are period pieces set in the early years of the century when much of Poland was a part of Imperial Russia — a delicate historical situation (given modern parallels) with which Polish film-makers were long forbidden to deal. Agnieska Holland's Fever adapts a complex novel by Andrzej Strug about a frustrated terrorist attempt. Wojciech Marczewski's

dren on Strike draws more obvious contemporary parallels from its story of children striking against receiving religious education in the German language. Claude Goretta's La Provinciale

(shown here as A Girl from Lorraine) exemplifies the Swiss director's gentle, affectionate observation in its portrait of an individual fighting for a place in a society that is not so much hostile as merely indifferent. Christine comes from Lorraine, where she cannot find work, in the hopes of finding some opportunity in Paris. The prospects prove, though, little brighter. The men she meets tend to be predatory or seriously neurotic; she finds her own sex resorting to any demeaning means finding a livelihood. In the end she flees back to the old uncomfortable certainties of the provinces.

Nathalie Baye smiles an awful lot, but cannot intimate the depths that Isabelle Huppert gave to Goretta's The Lace Maker, so that the whole thing seems finally rather insubstantial.

The schlocky horror shows linger still, with their familiar formulas, much slaughter of teenagers, heavy breathing, irregulations of the state of th lar footsteps in the night, and cut-up corpses dropping out all over the place. There is frankly not much to choose between them. Tom de Simone's Hell Night sticks close to the formula with college kids picked off, Little Indian style, by something nasty in an old dark house. Deadly Blessing, directed by Wes Craven, fishes a lot of red herrings out of the conflict between an obscurantist back-woods religious sect and newcomers with tractors, every mod con and Jezebel lingerie to torment

David Robinson

Concert The voice of magic

BBCSO/Gielen

Festival Hall/Radio 3

I imagine the Festival Hall was so empty on Wednesday simply because most people realize that Schoenberg's Ervoartung is an opera and felt that any concert per-formance would of necessity misrepresent it. They could not have been more wrong. Erwartung staged is one thing, but Erwartung out of the theatre becomes entirely an opera of the mind, and for reasons that this perform-ance made quite clear.

To begin with, it had the great benefit of Phyllis Bryn-Julson as the unnamed sole character of what Schoenberg called his "mono-drama". Miss Bryn-Julson has the characteristics. has the exceedingly rare gift of making angular, atonal melody sound like song and not some sort of agonised raving, and here she was consistently marvellous.
Everything was beautifully
sung, without lapses into
fake expressionist speechfake expressionist speechsong; everything was clear
and audible without any
screeching exaggeration of
the fact that some fairly
extreme emotions are being
expressed. The music was
simply allowed to do its
work.

And I intend no dismissal

And I intend no dismissal of Miss Bryn-Julson's mag-nificent performance in sug-gesting that its main point was to direct attention to the orchestra. At the first critical juncture of the work, when the first of the four sections is about to end, the woman announces that she will sing, but this is not tautology: we hear her song in a high violin solo, a touching moment enhanced here by Rodney Friend, and we are alerted to the fact that the real drama is going on in the orchestra.

For although, like Wagner and Strauss before him, Schoenberg made his most violently exposed operatic character a woman, establishing a distance that kept art from merging with life and perhaps driving him mad, the great freedom of his atonal style allowed his orchestra to more than the accompani-ment it still is for Kundry and Salome. It has its own life as a fantastic succession of melodies, chords and repeating patterns, all of which Michael Gielen brought to tumble out of the **BBC Symphony Orchestra in** exquisite, delicate, vivid array, proving at last that Erwartung is not about a woman deranged but rather about imagining her, remorselessly. Paul Griffiths

Too many questions remain

Zaide

Old Vic

Mozart's Zaide constantly fascinates operatic folk: it consists of 15 musical numbers, but no linking spoken dialogue (being a German Singspiel it would not have sung recitatives). The plot is evidently along the lines of Mozart's subsequent Entführung aus dem Serail, with a Turkish pasha, a favourite female slave and her West

There is also Allazim, a renegade Christian, who does not figure in Entführung. Indeed, from the clues of the musical numbers it seems that the outcome of Zaide will differ distinctly from what we know in English as The Seraglio. The extant music, abandoned long bemusic, abandoned long before the finale, is too beautiful to ignore. Adam Pollock,
the scenic designer who runs
the Musica nel Chiostro
company, which gives operas
in Tuscany with British
forces, took the problem to
the writer Italo Calvino in
Rome.

The task evidently attracted Calvino, not as a straightforward practical job, viz. work out a text to motivate each musical number, draw the characters roundly, in dialogue that explains who they are, and invent a denouement. It appealed to him as an intellectual exercise in liter-

ary choice. Calvino left the singing characters as in Mozart, singing the original German words, but not actually speaking dialogue. That is done for them by a narrator, presumably Calvino thinking aloud, in this production replaced by Marius Goring who speaks William Weaver's English translation of Calvino's text — and who

makes a star turn of the part. For a while, motivation is easy, though Calvino postulates several ahernatives for the action leading to Allazim's escape with the two lovers. Is he in love with Caîde, and why does he protect and accompany them, given that he is the Vizier and confidente of the Pasha?

Allazim remains a mysterious participant in the drama, which may be why William differate, some of them manifestly unacceptable (Goring visualizes the author's doubts of brother could be the Pasha, a service of the set is the Old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the Old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in the set is the old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an ex



Musical chance: Deborah Rees, Adrian Thompson

delightfully, toying with the possibility worth the nar-situation in a vein of gentle rator's investigation, if he self-mockery), none of them were not lost in his poetic a true solution.

dishonesty, or at least a ance, and Robert Dean, not cheat, and thoroughly disappointing — not least because Osmin's one aria, though the refuses to consider the possibility (evidenced by the possibility (evidenced by the possibility of one such Singulary). title of one such Singspiel) that Allazim is father to

Calvino's musings have the action and Goring is left conclusion, and Goring is left conclusion. seated on a balcony above the rage, and tolerably well sung singers, dreamily ruminating by Deborah Rees (overabout jewels and odalisques, parted in the heroine's two and the dramatis personae of big arias), Adrian Thompson an operetta that never was. and Neil Jenkins, two forth-To duck the issue seems to coming tenors, the former me an act of intellectual sadly unheroic in appeardav.

> vino and Mozart without stage trappings. The set is the Old Vic's sad sale of ence: William Mann about its financial survival as

Aldeburgh Festival-Snape Maltings Foundation, yester-

The appointment was announced of three new associate directors to swell the number to eight, led by Sir Pener Pears, They are Murray Perahia, John Shirley-Quirk and Simon Rattle.

Walking a nervous tightrope telephone, locking her in the bathroom, and then reluc-tantly releasing her for a police examination when they

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can barely make themselves heard above her hammering from up above. They sail through the Sergeant's identification tests, down to the last strawberry mark, and then resume the attack when they have closed the door on the law.
Why did she have two

As I last quit this building 10 years ago to write off a show which has been running ever since, I would be glad to look with a kindlier eye on the entertainment which has slid into the space vacated by No Sex Please: We're British. But after sitting out Terence Feely's thriller I have to give this up as a vain hope. tickets to America? What is Feely's thriller I have to give this up as a vain hope.

The evening opens ominously with the return of a wide-eyed, febrile Nyree Dawn Porter to a multi-doored hall, panelled in the homicidal baronial style, to the new combination num-ber? Where is George? Pause, while they collect their shot-guns to scour the 40 acres for George. However, Geoffrey Davies is back in a flash, reminding her of how her cousin Peter used to torture her as a child and resuming the game with a bottle of nitric acid (a prop which blossomed into one of the evening's favourite running gags).

Another panic phone call brings her doctor to the rescue — a paternally unflappable Basil Hoskins who appears to be the brains of the operation, and quickly brain-washes her into a family reunion; though even family reunion; though even he is briefly thrown off his stride when George's body falls out of a cupboard. whom, she quavers, bears any resemblance to the sinister trio now making themselves at home with her decanters and combination "Things are going a bit wrong," as one of the gang remarks.

Nobody could deny that. You expect Byzantine compli-They are after the loot, cations in this kind of show, they say, taking away her but Mr Feely's trick of

who may or may not be what they seem has given Anthony gap in Vladomir Mirodan's Sharp's company a hopeless task. They have no characters to play; all they can do is walk a nervous tightrope between villainous masquer-ade and family feeling. As a result, the only watchable performance comes from Philip Lowrie, who has the advantage of playing a real policeman.

Irving Wardle

Chee-Chee

King's Head Situation comedies were

around before television packaged them in half-hour sequences. While working his sequences. While working his way to a calculated disruption of the theatrical experience in Six Characters in Search of an Author, Luigi Pirandello was not above turning his short stories into short plays, as if anticipating

Perhaps he anticipates a bit more than that with hints of the anti-illusionist games of his later plays, but what he disrupts in *Chee-Chee* is love's illusion, displaying the reality of the confidence trickster who manages to make money and love out of his practised use of personal charm and private debts.

lunchtime production which style and energy should fill. Yet the symmetry of the rather trivial writing is satisfying on its own. Chee-Chee is a man about town (Kevin Moore), visited by Commander Squatriglia, who has benefited financially from some obscure trans-action. His visit of courtesy inspires Chee-Chee to a minor fraud intended to regain three promissory notes from a woman of his intimate acquaintance.

The poor commander, a flustered Neil McCarthy, is set to slandering Chee-Chee in order to destroy his credit, and buy back the IOUs at a discount. Obscure reasoning leads the commander to his task, but the neatness of Pirandello's psychology only reveals itself when Chee-Chee returns to slander the com-mander and appeal for the

mander and appeal for the woman's sympathy, which Barbara Berkery enthusiastically supplies.

Pirandello retains a sardonic view but the production is more earnest than enthusiastic. Although it is salightening to see what enlightening to see what Pirandello was doing before he was 40, his maturity was more impressive, and what London lacks is major productions of the major works. Chee-Chee is a mere

Ned Chaillet

Aldeburgh branches out

The Aldeburgh Festival is to well its artistic success. The be expanded to include ballet and drama as well as concerts and opera as part of an attempt to bring it new life and increased interest. In addition jazz and folk music will play an important part in the activities at the Snape Maltings. The aim is "to ensure that the Maltings becomes one of the most exciting and special centres for the performing arts in the country" said Lord Inverforth, chairman of the

The foundation at present has a deficit of £120,000, but Lord Invertorth is optimistic

Foundation is expected soon to announce a "windfall" which will cover its immediate financial difficulties.

The spring programme will include visits by the Adolf Friedriks Bachkor from Sweden, the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, the Midnite Follows Inc. Orchestra, the Follies Jazz Orchestra, the Orchestra of St John's, Smith Square, and Northern Ballet Theatre. An unusual departure for the Maltings, in April, will be the only concert outside London of the folk-singer and song-writer Carole King. The Aldeburgh Festival

will run from June 11 to 27 and will include a new production by Kent Opera of Britten's arrangement of *The* Beggar's Opera as well as first visits to Snape by the Royal Shakespeare Company — performing anthologies — Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet and the City of Birmingham. Symphony Orchestra.

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For the first year of their rate in public), considering existence, the Social Demo- the complexity of the new crats have done pretty well 'operations where the party with their polycephalous is involved — policy-mak-leadership. An effective ing, negotiating with the composite picture can be Liberals, building the party made out of Mr Jenkins' machine, and keeping the weight and experience. Dr party's parliamentary end Owen's drive and energy, Mr Rodgers' solid political being reached where none judgement, and public appeal.

casionally caught glimpses and direction of the party, of a rather less glamorous beast, possessed of Mr such a view is hard to Jenkins' fastidiousness, Dr Owen's bad temper, Mr This last point is also the and Mrs Williams' inde-cision. ("Has it occurred to looks and your brains?"). Nevertheless, the success of the quadrumvirate has been quite sufficient to prompt the obvious question: why change a winning formula? Why must Dr owen start stirring things up with tiresome "challenges" and the like? Why start a leadership contest now, and indeed why start

provides for a leadership argument. election in the early autumn by an electoral college consisting of MPs. It may well be amended to provide that in the first leadership elections the electoral college should consist of the entire membership of the party, but there is no suggestion that the quadrumvirate should

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up. But the point is now Mrs of these different activities extraordinary can any longer be detached from the others. A view has to be taken for better or Admittedly we have oc- worse on the whole stance

This last point is also the key to the question "Why have a contest at all?" The vou", said Shaw to Mrs fact is that each or the round gangsters represents not the round gangsters represents not the round gangsters represents not the round different temperature of the round different di ments but also different aspirations and ways of looking at the future of the party. It is not always easy to separate these strands, but it is important to realize that calculations of per-sonal advantage are only half the story. The half is that four very able and civilized politicians, having risked a great deal together and having already achieved an astonishing amount, are. The answer to the "why genuinely enjoying somenow?" part is easy enough. thing new and significant in Time is getting on. The each other's company. But constitutional convention an examination of the scene of the SDP takes place in as it appears from their two weeks' time and will very individual viewpoints debate a clause which may cast some light on the

supporters described him party that is primarily a the other day as "an old radical alternative to the man in a hurry". The first Labour Party and is pre-part of the description is pared both by temperament perhaps unkind for a very and self-interest to allow it well preserved 61-year-old, to become a predominantly but the "hurry" part is middle-class alternative to certainly right. Unlike the the Tories. Dr Owen is others, he must regard the often a bit vague about • Mr Rodgers. He is a Another factor is the practical need for a final arbiter with authority to settle disputes, treat with other parties, and provide definitive answers to the media in the crucial eighteen one of the media in the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal of the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal of the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal of the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal in the crucial eighteen as his last what exactly he means by "radical", and what causes the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal in the crucial eighteen one of the metal in the crucial eight exactly he means by "radical", and what causes therefore hope for more than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a mere "hung" Parliament in which the Alliance of power than a bit vague about what exactly he means by "radical", and what causes the country of the means by "radical", and what exactly he means by "radical", and what causes the country of the means by "radical", and what causes the country of the means by "radical", and what causes the country of the means by "radical" and what exactly he means by "radical", and what causes the provide definition of the means by "radical", and what exactly he means by "radical" and what causes the provide definition of the means by "radical" and "radical" a



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come now. It follows that the Alliance is far more important to him than the SDP as such, and now that Mr Steel has said he will serve under him, the Libthe SDP catches a respectable minimum sufficient to as so often, to be in two across Liberal bows at Christmas is highly signifi-

O Dr Owen. He is often accused of ruthless ambition, and no doubt he has may cast some light on the argument.

a fair share of it. But his main objection to Mr Jenkins is that he (Jenkins)

6 Roy Jenkins. One of his does not see the SDP as a

them from the Government. and at a basic level he Nor is it at all clear that Dr probably does not take her Owen's (as opposed to Mr very seriously. He is irri-Enoch Powell's) "radical-tated by Dr Owen's tactlessism" is what working-class voters want anyway. Nevertheless, on an emotional level, Dr Owen is right. Mr impact. He is therefore in the level of the Jenkins, whatever he may favour of the idea that have been in the past, is not Jenkins should be leader in very radical today, except in the sense that he would like to change the constitution. He is an old-fashioned liberal-minded centrist, and his image, like Campbell Bannerman's, is of a man who still represents

"The accursed power that stands on privilege And goes with women and champagne and bridge."

ship of the party outside all if Mr Jenkins is given a Parliament as much more run for his money and is than a device to console the obliged to prove to the loser, but she would probmembers of the party his ably take it all the same if specifically SDP (as opshe stands and then loses.

Mr Rodgers. He is a

Jenkins man, and though

agreement on a cautious they were at Oxford togeth-line which will distinguish er more than 30 years ago,

The conclusions of all this are not very hard to make out. First of all, it is perfectly obvious that Mr Jenkins has got to be leader This combination may not necessarily turn off the voters of Warrington and Hillhead, but it may not eral connection is more valuable than the balance of potentially winnable seats try's problems and bind up its wounds either.

She seems,

voters of the dail the outer handle all the outer handle all the operation of the Gang from the position of leader. The notion that he could some-notion that he coul minds. In some moods she not the SDP is hopelessly block a Steel government.

Mr Jenkins's disapproval of minds. In some moods she recognizes that Mr Jenkins artificial. On the other recognizes that Mr Jenkins is the only possible leader that Dr Owen is right to reasonable warning shot fore of the party. In others resist a walk-over. There she listens to the voices of Or Owen and her socialist conscience (she is probably the only genuine strains and resentments the only genuine socialist among the four will acturemaining among the four), ally grow. A leadership which admonish her to fight will clear the air, shake her head over Mr legitimize the winner, and Jeokins. Her own star validate whichever policies naturally also tempts her to and visions of the future he run. Neither she nor Dr or she represents. More-Owen consider the leader- over it will do no harm at ship of the party outside all if Mr Jenkins is given a

> All new parties come to he has a genuine enthusi- this kind of parting of the asm for the SDP and is far ways, after an early period warier of the Liberals than of flux (I would recommend Mr Jenkins, he will not a reading of the Acis of the

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How Mubarak sets the new Cairo style by Christopher Walker

Cairo When President Mohammed Mubarak arrives in London tomorrow, he will be leaving behind an Egypt whose internal mood, style of government and approach to foreign relations has altered significantly since the as-sassination of President Sadat less than four months

While an increasingly anxious Israeli Cabinet has been quick to coin the phrase "de-Sadatization" to describe what it fears might be a gradual end to the spirit which led to the 1979 peace treaty, Egyptians from every walk of life are fulsome in their praise of the approach being adopted by their work-manlike new leader. Even naturally cautious diplomats have been impressed by the performance of a man many considered incapable of mov-

ing so adroitly into the job. Although large, idealized portraits of the former presi-dent still adorn many public places in Cairo (possibly as a deliberate reminder of the cult of personality which he is now blamed for encouraging), little respect is being shown for his memory. At the last count, one academic researcher had already noted 216 new anti-Sadat jokes which have been circulating since his death.

In stark contrast, the 53year-old President Mubarak
— once the butt of local
jokes aimed at his alleged lack of intelligence — has so far escaped the type of cruel, personalized humour which in the past has so often served as a form of political safety valve for ordinary Egyptians. appreciated

Particularly appreciated has been his strict order that members of his family are not to benefit from the presidency and instructions that all pictures of his attractive, half-Welsh wife Susan are to be kept out of the newspapers. This early move accurately pinpointed deep resentment felt at the role played by Mrs Jihan Sadat, and returned to the protocol familiar under

Nasser. President Mubarak has also decreed that there should be no more fawning public advertisements singing his praises, and has swiftly handed the opulent string of rest houses popular with the Sadat entourage back to the nation. One of the luxury residences near the Pyramids was even publicly bulldozed as part of a clearance scheme, a canny symbolic move in a country where the average annual income is still less than £200 a year.

game excels cricket for its capacity to yield records and no followers revel in the statistical aspect of the game more than the Indians. There was hardly a day in the series Perhaps the most graphic when there was not someexample of the change in style will come on April 26, the day that Israel is schedthing statistical to enjoy. In the second Test at Bangalore it was Gavaskar, the King Emperor of Indian cricket, who batted 708 minutes, remaining one-third of the occupied Sinai. Instead of the longer than any other Indian before him, with the crowd grandiose and somewhat vulgar celebrations which marked earlier handovers of loving every moment of the English frustration. In Delhi land lost in 1967, Mr Mubaover Christmas it was Geofrak has banned all pomp and frey Boycott passing Gary Sobers's world record Test circumstance in favour of a low-key ceremony.

Quick to identify the shaky condition of Egypt's economy as the main problem to be dealt with (and the main threat to the future stability of the government), Presi-dent Mubarak has quickly inaugurated schemes to cut wasteful spending Among Egypt's parliamen-

opposition, Mr Mubarak has succeeded more effectively than most observers expected in defusing the dangerous are already known. It is just tensions which had built up that most are too unpalatduring the final days of able".

President Sadat. His main Because of the recent tactic has been to begin a slump in the tourist trade, a process of regular consul-stowing down in the growth tation while trying to isolate of oil revenues and other the most extreme Muslim factors, Egypt has seen its the most extreme Muslim factors, Egypt has seen its fundamentalists by releasing \$1,500m balance of payments those detainees like the blind surplus in 1980 transformed



Shaikh Kishk, not considered into a deficit which sis an immediate threat.

Ibrahim Shukri, leader of the opposition Socialist Labour Party (which has 12 seats in the 390-seat Parlia-Socialist June. ment), now writes a weekly column in one of Cairo's main newspapers. His party is negotiating with the government about being alowed air time on television and his banned newspaper, Al-Shaab, will reappear with presidential blessing on May

Sitting in his offices under a fading portrait of President Sadat, which the Parliament officials have not yet replaced, Mr Shukri spoke warmly of the new approach being adopted to the oppo-sition. "We now have per-sonal access to the President on all important matters, and know that I can call him any time on the phone."

Hilmi Mourad, the party's deputy leader takes his place at the three-day economic conference being organized by the government in an effort to hammer out Egypt's next five-year plan. Only a few months ago, Dr Mourad was languishing in a 10-man cell, branded as a threat to national security. As yet, the majority of

predicted target of the Cairo economic conference will be the excesses in luxury consumption caused by the 1974 open door economic policy, although in general the policy will remain in force. Perhaps realizing that

moves will one day have to be made to unscramble a subsidy system which costs the exchequer \$5,000m a year, the President has insisted that formulation of economic reforms takes the form of a national dialogue, of which the conference will be the tary and extra-parliamentary focal point. Commenting on its prospects, one diplomat said: "Unfortunately the said problems and the remedies

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In foreign relations, the widely-predicted move back towards closer ties with the Arab world has begun, with emphasis on semi-private contacts with such potential friends as Saudi Arabia: rather than any dramatic gestures. Much energy has been expended on emphasizing Egypt's non-aligned sta-tus, while Arab governments have been told firmly that Egypt has no intention of scrapping the peace with Israel.

The gradual rapprochment with the Soviet Union, although watched with intense suspicion from America's Cairo Embassy (its third largest in the world) is seen with more equanimity by west European governments, who seem convinced that an Further evidence of the who seem convinced that an new liberalization will come exchange of ambassadors is later this month when Dr inevitable in the post-Sadat era. All signs point to a levelling out of the extremes of President Sadat's latterday policies, rather than any imminent, 180° turn from Egypt's pro-Western position, Inevitably, economic minis-

ters were at the heart of President Mubarak's first Cabinet re-shuffle last month the one aspect of his new government which has changes have been ones of failed to win much approval approach rather than policy.

But their importance comes from the way in which they have identified the main There is a strong feeling. have identified the main There is a strong feeling, frustrations felt by the 42 that it was only temporary in million Egyptians. A widely-nature and will require a nature and will require a follow-up.

Altogether 12 new ministers were brought in and the main economic post went to Abdel-Fattah Ibrahim, a former governor of the Central Bank who is handicapped by continuing ill health. Uncertainty and lingering doubts prevail among western governments about why Mr Mubarak failed to pick a more impressive team.

As with Mr Mubarak's other policies, the emphasis is on caution, a determined avoidance of the flamboyance and unpredictability associated with Anwar Sadat, and a conscious effort to run a government more responsive to the wishes of the masses From a western point of view, doubts about the post-

Sadat era are likely to disappear if the new President's performance can match his early promise. But given Egypt's horrendous social and economic prob-lems, it still remains a big if.

From Kanpur, Richard Streeton sums up England's cricket tour of India The glorious certainty of statistics

The Indian tour: England's performance Test Matches: Played 6, Won 0, Lost 1, Drawn 5 All First-Class Matches: Played 13, Won 2, Lost 1, Drawn 10

Was the Test match series which ended here yesterday between India and England the dullest of all time? Probably not, has to be the answer, though it came fairly India won the first match GB

in four days, and the next GA five all petered out tamely in draws, meaning that 25 days' KW play had been completely pointless in terms of results.

Most cricket enthusiasts, though, would not summarize what has taken place in recent weeks in those sort of terms. Unlike the United States, for instance, where is no provision in baseball for a drawn match, a clearcut result has never been considered essential in cricket. In fact many cricket lovers would cite famous instances where a side has and draw among their most

cricket played in the Test matches just finished, with some fine batting to enjoy. devotees has seldom Everyone will have their own solely in the bare result. examples of cricket's dullest series but those between India and Pakistan — in mind about the outcome of a Pakistan, 1954-55, and in game but it is a definite fact India, 1960-61 — would appear in most lists. Ten in the County Championship with not a gesture or any the captains usually try to attempt made by either side contrive a clearcut result.

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to reach a definite result. There were political and managed to stave off defeat national undertones to these games, of course, but India and England also drew all There has, in fact, been a five Tests in 1963-64 when, as great deal of stimulating in recent weeks, the pitches reached) and also for the fact with national prestige at cricket played in the Test were just too perfect. that the number of balls stake and settled by the matches just finished, with Cricket's appeal for its bowled sank to a record overall outcome. There are Cricket's appeal for its devotees has seldom lain

lt might be an overstatement to say that they do not

games the first innings were average low of around 78 an hour. This is a deliberate modern tactical ploy by the captains to slow down the tempo, and later this year the legislators are expected to lay down a mandatory number of overs that must be reached in successive Tests were drawn come on the third day when a day, but for the millionplus spectators who watched India and England, the over-

The 1981-82 Tests have riding consideration was that been unusual in that in four India should retain their 1-0 not completed until the fifth match nowadays is no longer day (in other words, the an entity in itself but is halfway stage was barely merely a part of a series, already signs in Australia that five-day tests have lost their appeal compared with one-day games and some-thing similar could follow in India in the years ahead but this is a spectator reaction. In India, where time means so little, that is some way off. All this series has pro-

career aggregate that claimed the limelight. Then came Madras, with Viswanath's 222 failing by nine runs to become India's biggest ever Test score. Here in Kanpur there was always the comforting knowledge, in a match that lost ten hours to the weather, that India were about to clinch the series. For Kapil Dev yesterday to make one of Test cricket's quickest centuries was merely a bonus for a full house.

These examples are only a few of the reasons why for the enthusiasts present the 1981-82 series was far from futile. Obviously it was not cricket at its best, but then so much present day Test cricket does not show the game in its best light.

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Revealed at last! the word to upset MPs

Reg Race's f . . . in the House of Commons was in perfect order. The Labour MP for Wood Green, a not excessively boorish Bennite, uttered the four-letter word which is forbidden, in PHS at least, on Wednesday night during the debate on sex shops. The event, if that is what it was, passed without a murmur in the thinly attended House. The couple of dozen MPs present took Race's statement that a sex shop in Lewisham advertised a contacts directory with the slogan "phone them and f . . . them" as grim but unexciting news.

Still, it gave The Daily Telegraph parliamentary sketch writer a chance to grab prominence on the front page, and to treat the readers to a display of asterisks the like of which has seldom been seen outside the pages of Marvel Comics.

Race was quoting from document, albeit an improbable one, and could, before the Speaker's ruling yesterday, say what he liked. It followed that there were no points of order, no shock and no outrage. MPs reserve that sort of reaction for much more polite words which they use about each other. Then words that would not flutter an eyebrow after dinner can be considered totally impermissible. Among them are "blether", "cad", "cheeky young pup" and "not consonant with personal honour". The ultimate four-letter word in the House of Commons is not four but "liar" Commons is not f . . . but "liar".

THE TIMES DIARY



opposite number on the Daily Mirror. He is either a moster of disguise who owns his own clip-on moustache, which can be useful in

our profession, or he has the most vigorous growth of hair on any upper lip in Britain. On Tuesday his column was headed with nis column was neated with smiling, clean-shaven face. On Wednesday he had sprouted a fine moustache. Yesterday it was gone again. The truth may be that Tory has grown a moustache, but was terrified by what he saw when he looked in the Mirror on Wednesday morning. But I shall be keen to see this morning whether he now sports this morning whether he now sports a floppy hat, dark glasses and a

Literary labours

PHS regards journalism, if not as an idle occupation, at least as a rather luxurious one. How then does beleaguered Michael Foot find time to write wispy letters to The Times like the one published yesterday or embattled Sir Peter Parker to write erudite appreciations of William Blake for this week's New Statesman? Should PHS try running the Labour Party British Rail?

Bush House for sale

The Post Office Staff Superannu-

ation Fund is selling Bush House, valued at more than £30m, over the heads of its tenants, including the BBC external services.

The fund's chief executive, Ralph Quartano, the man who blocked Lord Grade's platinum bandshake to Jack Gill, said yesterday: "It is correct that we

are selling Bush House." But he would give no hint of the purchaser or price.

Doe-it-yourself Paul Clifford of Wrexham is

turning a fast buck, touring the town by van selling rabbit and chips. After a week, customer reaction has been sufficienty favourable to double his fleet and soon he hopes to cover Clwyd, expanding his range of con-venience foods to rabbitburgers

and rabbit pies.

Clifford and his wife, Jo, found it impossible to make a decent living from their 100-doe rabbit farm. They mortgaged their all and, with the help of a grant from the Welsh Development Agency, set up a rabbit-processing factory able to handle 40,000 animals a week. Rabbit is readily available on most supermarket shelves, most of it imported from China, but Clifford claims that his rabbits, all

home-reared, are superior, "not just something you put in a stew".

The meat, long tainted by its association with myxamatosis and wartime substitution for chicken, may be recovering popularity. Last week Simpson's in the Strand restored it to the menu for the first time in 30 years. Theirs is trist time in 39 years. Theirs is cooked in cream and mushroon sauce and costs £4.50 a portion. For the moment Clifford, selling breadcrumbed joints with chips at 70p, is still avoiding Bugs Bunny versus Captain Birds Eye hostilities by keeping his vans to the byways of Wrexham industrial and housing estates where fish fryers do not venture. do not venture.

Wait for it

Gustave Ledun, director of the Gustave Ledun, director of the armagnac brandy producers' association, was lunching at that most English of establishments, the RAC Club, and though the menu is in French, he seized directly upon potted shrimps and grilled Dover sole.

The only fish available in his region of Gascony, he says, are tench, and the trick of cooking them is to steep them alive first-in milk and then in armagnac. This sounds too cruel for English taste, though not much crueller than the RAC's sommelier. When asked for armagnac, he said:
"That's the drink they make from cognac, isn't it?"

A certain disability

The Royal Institute of British Architects wish to improve access for the disabled to their Grade II listed headquarters in Portland Place. At present there is a metal ramp, which they want to replace



with a permanent stone ramp to give access to wheelchairs.

They applied for planning permission from Westminster council on October 14. It was the third week in January before statutory notices about the change appeared on lamp-posts outside the building. The matter has yet to go to committee for consideration.

While it is plainly right that architects could not be trusted to design anything so simple 25. 2 wheelchair ramp for their own building, it does seem that Michael Heseltine's attempts to cut down on planning delays face another setback.

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OPTING OUT OF THE NHS

Private medicine has been one of Britain's few boom sectors but non-acute conditions may number of subscribers to private insurance schemes rose by more than 14 per cent last year, and the building of small private hospitals has gone forward at a brisk pace. One person in every 14 is now covered: but by the same token, 13 in every 14 are not. The continuing financial problems of the National Health Service contrast sharply with the flourishing condition of the private sector. Many who never shared the wholesale left-wing hostility towards private medicine are beginning to wonder whether such a rapid growth may not after all be a threat. This week the Royal College of Nursing, which said in 1975 that the private sector should be allowed to develop outside the NHS in response to market forces, called for new controls to ensure that the development does not undermine the NHS.

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In the short term, it is ared that the growing mber of private hospitals poach expensively trained power from the NHS by ing higher wages. But

wieeper fear is that the rise porivate care will bring ut, without anybody ually intending it, a state affairs which the great majority would deplore — a vicious circle where private medicine became the usual option for a substantial proportion of citizens, with the NHS becoming increasingly neglected and impoverished because of a diversion of public pressure to maintain conference voted to abolish and other devices that bring it standards. In general terms this prospect is still remote. In any case patients with private cover are likely to look to the NHS for some of their medical needs, such as long-drawn-out nursing care. But there are signs of a

during the recession. The be years long. Allegedly, private treatment buys comfort and convenience rather than better medical care, but

> The NHS deserves protection: As a comprehensive system without frills but strong in essentials, it is popular because it is fair. No other country manages to provide equally good care as economically. But as tax-payers we have not been prepared to fund it to a level where it could provide a service as good as private medicine can in the areas where the latter excels. As buyers of insurance, many are ready to pay much more in addition to their taxes. Indirectly these extra funds (more than £160m last year) relieve pressure on the state service, if the threats of poaching of staff and widening disparity standards can be averted.

There are many ways in which it is possible for the two sectors to reinforce each other, and there would be many more were it not for the sense of division left over from the pay-beds controversy of the mid 1970s. It was that controversy which launched private medicine in direction that made it. increasingly difficult for it to supplement rather than threaten. The attitudes which taxation is designed to take brought the 1974 conflict to a care of that already. The state head are still very much alive. Last year's Labour Party cize and develop amenity beds private practise inside the close to what the private NHS and outside it. Whatever system can offer. Both sides the Labour Party's chances of should be ready to move giving such intentions legis- towards a mutually beneficial lative form, several trade partnership. Political hostility unions with many members in the NHS are hostile to private

envisage the expropriation of hospital trusts (to acquire beds that the NHS does not need) or the outlawing of private medical care, the future must be seen to be one of coexistence between the two sectors. If two sectors are to exist, there is an overwhelming economic, medical and social case for bringing them into as close partnership as possible.

The Royal College of Nursing tentatively proposes that future private development should be located in or near NHS hospitals, though in separate buildings. The private sector is understandably wary of giving hostages to fortune in this way, but in principle the proposal is sensible. The physical separation between private and NHS hospitals wastes many hours of doctors' time, necessitates duplication of beds and equipment and sharpens feelings of resentment and prejudice.

It is essential that the private sector pay its full share of all NHS facilities it uses: the benefits of the private contribution would be more visible if a share of it went not to swell national funds but to the local hospital itself and to staff involved in providing the service. A private contribution to training costs might also help to restore goodwill, though it is no more logically necessary than a special levy on industry to support education: system, in turn, should publito that process would only hasten the growth of the very But there are signs of a practice. But except for an polarization it seeks to pre-vicious circle in some sectors illiberal minority able to vent.

HERR SCHMIDT'S POLITICAL REFLATION

Chancellor Helmut Schmidt is The government's aim is France will have confirmed playing for high stakes in two fold. It wants to encour- him in this view. the extreme. Although they more drastic action rather than a solution to Germany's unemployment problem, which with 1,900,000 out of work is getting more and more serious.

The new measures are expected to cost the German government about £3,000m spread over three years. At £1,000m a year that is a much smaller dose of reflation than the CBI and Cabinet wets here would like. It is far less than the job creation programme brought in by the Mitterrand

government in France. The net effect of the German action will be even less, because Value Added Tax is being increased from the middle of next year to pay for the programme. The re-sult will be to increase public spending and increase taxes; hardly Keynesian reflation, more a case of supply side economics in reverse.

Right objectives

From Mr Ronald Spark

making his job-creation pack- age investment with public age the subject of a vote of money in the private sector to confidence in the Bundestag increase the economy's long-today. Yet the measures he term ability to grow. And it has introduced are cautious in wants to do something special the same to create provide some response to the jobs, especially for the young demand from German unions unskilled who have been hit that something must be done by the decline of the conabout unemployment, they struction industry. The inwill have only a small effect. vestment part of the package They are a way of heading off is the more important. The government hopes that its assistance will encourage the private sector to put up its own money, so that the total amount of investment will be ten times as large as the

> that things will not be as simple as that. The effects of a similar programme in the mid-seventies were disap-pointing. They showed that the private sector is less impressed by government packages of this kind than it is by prospects for the economy as a whole. These cannot be greatly influenced by small changes of this kind in the level of government activity. Herr Schmidt shows no sign of being interested in really large reflation as a way out of

government contribution.

Much more important to the German economy than the government measures will be what happens to interest rates. In Germany it is generally reckoned that a one percentage point drop in interest rates has the same effect as £2,000m of extra and Hugh Gaitskell in 1959 called spending or tax cuts. And "the commanding heights of the young can give short-term help, there is no basis on which Germany can have bring its unemployment down without a general world recovery.

Past experience suggests being adopted by the Chancellor are not really economic at all. They are an attempt to force his own party to back him in a confidence vote. Their very insignificance is hopes to end the constant reluctant throats."
bickering which has become Nevertheless it such a feature of the coalition in recent months. Whether that vote alone will be enough to restore the coherence of the coalition in the months ahead is a question of direct concern to the rest of Europe Germany's economic prob- concern to the rest of Europe lems. The difficulties which and indeed to the rest of the have faced M Mitterand in world.

If the policy of our present Government represents a radical break from the past, as I believe in some respects it does, it lies not in its adoption of "monetarism" — a mere glance at monetary statistics should dissuade us from this belief — but rather in its unwillingness to accommodate; and for this it should be applauded. As the SDP picks and chooses

between various aspects of policy pursued by previous Labour and policy should certainly not be disregarded. Yours faithfully,

G. MAYNARD, Vice President, The Chase Manhattan Bank, NA, Woolgate House, Coleman Street, EC2.

Proper names

Church House,

Dean's Yard, SW1.

From the Reverend Kenneth Leech Sir. The late Father Neville, SSF, an Anglican Franciscan who worked in the East End of London, was widely known and much loved by people of many nationalities, including seamen in other countries, many of whom had never seen his name written. Letters addressed to him included Father Nivel, Navel, Nibble, Nobel and Nable, and one was addressed to (Mr Fadernebble, Cable Street, London". It arrived without any difficulty. Yours sincerely, KEN LEECH, General Synod, Board for Social Responsibility,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

leadership

From Lord Tordoff Sir, Your first leader today on "who is to lead the Alliance" concentrates naturally on who is to lead the SDP, a matter which Liberals should leave well alone. But insofar as it dwelt on the subsequent leadership of the Alliance, you severely understated the position of David Steel as having "many supporters as Alliance leader among the general public". The last poll on this topic (Gallup, December 11, 1981) gave him a huge lead over any of the SDP's leadership, a preference echoed even among SDP

supporters.

The percentage figures as to "who do you think would be the best leader of the Alliance?" were as follows:

SDP Shirley Williams 22 Roy Jenkins David Owen William Rodgers

Before you consider who is to lead in government, you have to determine who would best lead the Alliance to victory and into government. For that reason Mr Steel's claim should not be written off so casually. The public recognises him as the consistent advocate of many of the policies now being adopted by the SDP and as perhaps the main architect of the Alliance itself.
All that has to be set in the balance against the undoubtedly superior experience of Roy Jenkins. (Although it may be thought that that experience might be best used to the country's advantage at the Treasury.) Meanwhile this factor does not seem to influence voters unduly, since in the same poli Mr Steel was ahead of both Mrs Thatcher and Mr Foot as cur-rently the most preferred Prime Minister. Yours faithfully,

TORDOFF, House of Lords. February 2.

The Tawney tradition

From Professor Antony Flew

Sir, Several correspondents have either asserted or challenged the right to Tawney's name of a society which is supposed to be social democratic, as opposed to democratic or any other sort of socialist. Certainly there can be no doubt but that R. H. Tawney himself was a Clause IV socialist, fully committed to the eventual "public ownership of all the

means of production, distri-bution, and exchange."

Thus in his Equality, first-published in 1931, several times reissued but never either disowned or even substantially revised, he argues that a majority Labour government must nationalize all of what Lenin in 1923 follow in good time."

oring its unemployment down without a general world revolvery.

Of course, some of us who greatly admire R. H. Tawney might try to argue that, had he lived longer, practical experience of nationalization in Britain would have led him to change his mind. Certainly too his commitment to democracy always came before his commitment to socialism. In that same chapter VI he continued: "If these laudable improvements leave the British public cold, an enlightened minpart of their attraction. By public cold, an enlightened min-showing that he can call and ority have neither the right nor win a vote of confidence he the power to force them down

Nevertheless it was surely at least imprudent for people who want us to believe that the SDP is not socialist to call their substitute for the Fabian Society the Tawney Society. Yours faithfully,

ANTONY FLEW. University of Reading, Reading. February 2.

Housing policy

From the Director-General of the National House-Building Council Sir, Neil McIntosh of Shelter repeats (February 2) the fiction
— for that is what it is — that tax
concessions to home buyers have discouraged investment in pro-

in 1936 helped to lead the nation from the slump. In the post war period, the years of high new house production have been years of relative prosperity. By contrast in the last two years, when house prices were static and housing starts were at exceptionally low levels, industry

It is relevant that £50m spent now on assisting council tenants payments on the erstwinte tenants would mean that they could not afford to buy imported goods. It is doubtful if there is any other public investment which would produce such a good return. Yours sincerely,

A. W. TAIT, 58 Portland Place, W1. February 2.

Claims to Alliance Submission on Civil Service pay

From Mr Bernard Gottlieb Sir, Today's first leader (February 3) makes an unprecedented attack on the probity of senior Treasury civil servants and by

implication on the laxity of Government ministers. I hope that, as you suggest, the Chancelor of the Exchequer, or better still Mrs Thatcher as Treasury First Lord, will respond to your challenge quickly.

Senior civil servants have never Senior civil servants have never

negotiated with unions about their own salaries. Whatever the merits of what the Government conceded at the end of last year's strikes or the line of its evidence to the Megaw Committee, should one assassinate Treasury messengers simply because they bring news of Government decisions?

Yours faithfully, BERNARD GOTTLIEB, The Reform Club, Pall Mall, SW1. February 3.

From Mr Peter Hordern, MP for Horsham and Crawley (Conserva-

Sir, If you are right to surmise that the Treasury evidence to the Megaw committee on Civil Ser-vice pay shows that the 4 per cent limit on pay increases does not mean what it says, and that any extra sum negotiated by the Civil Service may come simply from the contingency reserve, then we are in a serious position. Serious because the practice of pay in the Civil Service being established through a sophisticated compara-bility exercise with the private sector makes it so.

Between 1970 and 1981 wages and salaries per unit of output in manufacturing industry quadrupled. This is a far worse record Yours faithf PETER HOI House of Co February 3.

than any of our industrial competitors, and has surely led to the very high number of those now out of work. The Clegg awards in public sector pay, and other comparability exercises, however, seem to have taken no correctly perceit of the dreadful him. account of the dreadful but inevitable consequences of too much pay in our productive industry. They have simply

industry. They have simply forged ahead regardless.

In 1980-81 Civil Service pay rose by 23.5 per cent to £4,627m. In the NHS pay rose by 31.3 per cent to £5,286m, in 1980-81, having risen by 21.7 per cent the previous year, although these increases probably reflect the extra 67,000 people recruited since June 1979. Public corporations, apart, that is, from the nationalised industries, increased their pay in 1980 by 16.6 per cent their pay in 1980 by 16.6 per cent their pay in 1380 by 10.5 per cent to £2,007m, universities by 21.4 per cent in 1979-80, followed, if Sussex University is a guide, by 23 per cent in 1980-81; and polytechnics by 26.1 per cent in 1980-81.

In engineering, in construc-tion, in production of motor vehicles and steel, our output is venicles and steel, our output is significantly less than it was ten years ago. What kind of system can it be that allows pay in the public sector to be compared to the ruinuous increases paid in the productive sector, which has put so many out of work in industry, while the numbers are still growing in central govern-ment as a whole? Surely the only comparability exercise for the Government service that is valid is the comparison with what the country can produce and can afford. And that cannot be more than 4 per cent.

Yours faithfully, PETER HORDERN, House of Commons,

Arsenii Roginskii From Professor Geoffrey Best and

others

Sir, We are very disturbed by reports reaching the West about the recent trial in Leningrad of our professional colleague, the historian Arsenii Roginskii. Roginskii was one of the outstanding students of the internationally known linguist and literary historian, Yurii

Lotman. Since his graduation in 1968, he has published a number of distinguished articles on nineteenth and early twentieth century social thought in Russia, some of them in the West. In June 1981 his reader's ticket to the Leningrad Public Library

was revoked on the gounds that he had "used material from the manuscript departments for illegal publication abroad". He was subsequently arrested, and in early December sentenced to four years' imprisonment by the Leningrad City Court under Article 196 of the RSFSR Criminal Code, which deals with the forgery of "official documents which confer rights or exempt from obligations". The documents in question appear to have been letters from official insti-tutions requesting access for him

to certain archives.
As professional historians, we are seriously concerned that Roginskii should be charged with an offence which appears to

trying, under very adverse conditions, to continue carrying out his professional duties. Neither foreign publication nor the attempt to gain access to archive sources can be regarded as criminal offences. The right which Roginskii wished to exercise was one he already had under Article 46 of the Soviet Constitution, which guarantees citizens "use of artefacts of culture", to be ensured by their being made "generally available in official and public collect-ions". If indeed he misused official documents in the process, then this is at most a misdemeanour committed under stress and warranting no harsher penalty than a period of exclusion from the archives concerned.

We would urge the Soviet

signify no more than that he was

judicial authorities to reconsider the case of Arsenii Roginskii, and to dismiss the charges against him on appeal. Yours etc, GEOFFREY BEST,

MAURICE CRANSTON, DAVID MARQUAND, BRIAN PULLAN, E. P. THOMPSON, R. H. C. DAVIS, G. R. ELTON, RODERICK FLOUD, DOROTHY THOMPSON,

J. A. S. GRENVILLE, D. CAMERON, NORMAN HAMPSON, STUART WOOLF, JAMES JOLL, JOHN VINCENT.
Department of History, University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester. February 2.

Canada's constitution.

From Chief Roger Jimmie and

Sir, we, the undersigned Chiefs, write to express our concerns at the contents of your leading article "All clear for patriation"

(January 30).

The article drew attention to the fact that the claim made by the Indian Association of Alberta has been rejected by the Court of Appeal. It implied that, subject to further appeal, the effect of the judgment is to leave no Indian claims pending in the English courts.

That, however, is not in accordance with the facts. The claim made by the Indian nations of British Columbia, Manitoba and Ontario (their writ was issued on December 10, 1981) has yet to be considered by the

courts in this country.

The plaintiffs are seeking to expedite the hearing of their case, which is based on very

different grounds from the Alberta claim. It argues that any legislation to patriate the Cana-dian Constitution requires the consent of provincial legislatures and of the Indian nations.

Under these circumstances it is not unreasonable to expect that the British Government, which indicated its willingness not to press ahead with the Canada Bill until the Alberta appeal could be heard will adopt a similar approach to the present liti-

Yours sincerely, Chief ROGER JIMMIE (Union of British Columbia Indian Chiofs), EDWIN B. BRUYERE (Fort Alex DENNIS (Dakota Tio Reserve, Manitoba). TOMMY GESNO (Port Hope Reserve, Ont GRAND CHIEF WALLACE (Nishnauiki Aski DAVID HUNT (Kwakinti Band, Kwakint Nation, British Columbia). Office of First Nations,

2 The Mansions, Bramham Gardens, SW5. February 1.

Consular service From Mr Eduard Fuller

Sir, Lady Marley (January 29) complains of an extra fee for consular services "out of hours". As an American journalist I recently had occasion to observe the problems faced by the British Consulate in Rome during regular hours. Each week during the tourist season bundreds of people expect help because of stolen handbags, documents. money, travel tickets, etc. One couple arrived at the

consulate in bathing costume — all they had left when their car with all their possessions inside was stolen. Another man arrived in his wife's stretch slacks — all he had available when luggage was stolen from his hotel room during the night. The consular staff arranged to buy trousers for him and the consul herself took them home on her lunch hour to sew up the cuffs. These problems are in addition to the normal duties of registering births, arranging visas, dealing with death certificates, etc.

Rarely have I seen such efficiency and courtesy with a sympathetic staff doing all they could. Presumably some con-sulates are better than others but from my observation I think all British subjects should be grateful to have these hard-working people there to help in time of

If Lady Marley objected to paying an additional £17 services demanded when for the

consulate was closed, she could easily have waited and gone there on Monday morning. As she found the casual bystanders and the French police such revelations of kindness, surely she could have borrowed the Metro

Yours faithfully, EDUARD FULLER, Springfield Farm, Buckhorn-Weston. Near Gillingham, February 1.

Home brewed

From Miss Emma Wigglesworth Sir, In your Business News of January 30 Mr Shindler, Secretary of the National Association of Licensed House Managers, is reported as saying that home brewing is unfair competition.

This extraordinary statement could well be applied to home cooking, home dressmaking, home decorating home movies or even, perhaps, playing the piano

Rather than suggesting a tax on those who are doing their best to cope with inflation the associ- year. ation should do the same as other industries and find new ways of attracting custom. Yours faithfully, EMMA WIGGLESWORTH.

53 Canonbury Park South, N1.

Devolution option

From Mr William McDowell

Sir, David Watt's thinking on Ulster (feature, January 29) Ulster (feature, January 29) seems somewhat incoherent. He correctly perceives that the likelihood of a Government initiative on Ulster managing to establish a devolved Assembly is extremely remote. It is also made clear in his article that neither the DUP nor the SDLP can at present be expected to help make such a legislature work and furthermore the "moderate" parties are too weak to be of any effective assistance to such a scheme. But somewhat strangely scheme. But somewhat strangely the aforementioned points don't lead Mr Watt to conclude that devolution for Ulster, at least for the time being, is too dangerous to be attempted.

There is, on this, one point he fails to mention (the significance of which seems to be missed by many both in and outside of the

many, both in and outside of the province) that with unemployment in Northern Ireland at nearly a fifth of the total workforce the atmosphere generally is too pessimistic to allow for such visionary institutional goals

to be achieved. Mr Watt also suggests that direct rule has failed Ulster in the long run, when in actual fact it is just beginning to succeed. The IRA played their ultimate cards last year — the hunger strike and the murder of the Unionist South Belfast MP, the Pay Robert Resident The worst Rev Robert Bradford. The worst is over. The British Government needs to stand resolute and patient.
David Watt concludes by writ-

"we have now reached a point where the riskiest policy of all is to sit tight and do nothing"; but this is not what the integrationists are asking for. It would be best for the Conservatives to do what they originally proposed in their manifesto: "In the absence of devolved govern-ment, we will seek to establish one or more elected regional councils".

Mr Prior should establish a regional council, and if that move proves after a few years to have been successful, well, who knows what the future holds? The important point always to remember is that Ireland's problems can't be solved quickly; if there is a solution it will take years to come about. Ulster is not another Rhodesia.

Yours etc. W. McDOWELL Bloomfield, January 29.

Stalemate in Cyprus From Mr O. F. Muftizade

Sir, In the last paragraph of your analysis of Turkey's European credentials (leader, January 29) vou suggest tha Government should "be seen to make a serious and urgent effort to reach a solution to the Cyprus conflict" which would enable it to withdraw its troops from

North Cyprus.

Notwithstanding the fact that the present Turkish Government has been making both behind the scenes and visual efforts to contibute to the success of the current peace exercise in Cyprus

— rendering support to Dr
Waldheim's evaluation, to mention but one — you seem to have missed a vital point over this issue: Greece, too, must make meaningful and visual efforts if honourable agreement between the two partner communities in Cyprus is to be achieved, in which case, as your leader points out, a withdrawal can be possible, since the all-important "security" issue will no longer prevent it.

However, in the same issue of The Times, your own correspondent quotes Greece's socialist Prime Minister, Mr Papandreou, as declaring that "Cyprus is part of the Hellenic nation". I believe that even the most ultra-national-ist Greek politician would have thought twice before making such an outburst about national Cyprus at this delicate

stage. I feel I am justified in expecting The Times to be more sensitive and factual in ap-portioning the blame for the current stalemate in Cyprus. Yours faithfully, O. F. MUFTIZADE, London Representative of the Turkish Federated State of

Cyprus, 28 Cockspur Street, SW1. January 29.

Radio print

Bevere,

Worcester.

From Miss Margaret Smith Sir, I wonder if there is any scientific basis for the curious assumption made by publishers of newspapers that those people who listen to radio programmes have better eyesight than those who watch television. Yours faithfully, MARGARET SMITH, 2 Willowslea Road,

A town like Townsville

From Mr Noel F. Webster Sir, "City of Townsville", the name of an Australian airliner observed at Heathrow by your correspondent G. H. Neild (February 3) is not, as he suggests, an example of tautological Oz-speak. The Queensland port of Townsville was named after its founder, English-born merchant Robert Towns, in 1865, and was designated a city the following

Aussies 1, Poms 0. Yours faithfully, NOEL F. WEBSTER. 5 Cecil Close, Mount Avenue, Ealing, W5. February, 3.

The wage-inflation bind From Professor Geoffrey

opinions. He is entitled to seek to

reach like-minded individuals

without the stamp of Mr

existence on freedom of infor-

mation. Mr Chancellor has lately

begun to contribute a column to a

daily newspaper.
It ill becomes him to play the

censor and deny to others the

democratic rights he himself

The Spectator depends for its

Chancellor's approval.

enjoys.

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Yours truly,

RONALD SPARK,

19 The Rotyngs,

Sir, On the face of it, Professor Meade's proposals (Business feature, January 20) for the conduct of macro-economic policy represents a significant change from the past, at any rate the past up to 1979. Instead of fiscal and monetary policy being used to manage the level of real demand in the economy whilst the control of inflation is left to incomes

policy, Professor Meade now proposes that fiscal and monetary policy should control nominal demand whilst intervention in the labour market is aimed at Sir, I was appalled by the sanctimonious letter (February 3) regulating employment. However, in which Mr Alexander Chancellor, Editor of the Spectator, revealed that he had whether the new proposals would make much difference in practice depends on how the Government, would behave if more rational rejected an advertisement from Mr David Irving because of its money wage-fixing arrangements "extremist" nature.
I know little or nothing of Mr cannot be introduced or, if introduced, break down, so that Irving. It is a matter for personal judgment whether his views are the country is faced, as so often in the past, with a money wage extremist. But, provided he remains within the bounds of the explosion. On this issue, if his own words are to be our guide, professor Meade seems in danger of undermining his own prolaw, he is entitled to express his

posals. In reply to some criticisms of his proposals by Professor Kaldor (letter to Financial Times, December 30, 1981), Professor Meade in effect tells us that if a target of, say, 10 per cent per annum growth in nominal GDP has been set, and money wages, then rose by say 30 per cent, he would not advocate restraining the rise in GDP to 10 per cent since this would result in falling

employment. If this were generally understood to be Government policy, then not only would the response undermine the aim of maintain-ing a stable growth of nominal money expenditure, but it would gravely prejudice the task of enforcing or maintaining the more sensible money wage-fixing arrangements which are at the heart of Professor Meade's proposals. It has surely been the willingness of most governments in postwar Britain to accommodate inflationary money wage and

dation did not prevent the rise in

unemployment.

Conservative governments this particular feature of present

ductive industry. The facts are otherwise.

A. J. P. Taylor has correctly stated that a boom in house production in the 1930s from below 210,000 in 1931 to 365,000

generally was in recession. As for the decline in rented housing, the fact is that in an inflationary society, home owner-ship leaves the inflationary gain with the individual: renting leaves it with landlords, public or private.

of below average means to buy on the open market could "at a stroke" empty some council houses for the needy, stimulate new house production, and reduce the numbers on the dole. Moreover, the burden of mortgage payments on the erstwhile tenants



COURT AND SOCIAL

Princess Anne, Chancellor of

London University, will attend a

presentation ceremony at the Albert Hall, followed by a presentation service at Westminster Cathedral, on March 10.

The Duke of Kent, patron of the Leukaemia Research Fund, will

The Duchess of Kent, patron of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club, will attend a members' dinner at the Queen's Hotel, Leeds, on March 31.

Princess Alexendra will take The Lord High Admiral's Divisions at the Britannia Royal Naval Col-lege, Dartmouth, on April 7.

COURT CIRCULAR

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

February 4: The Duke of Kent. Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, took the Overseas Trade Board, took the chair at the Export Conference which was held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester and in the afternoon visited the Aucoats Youth Centre.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, was attended by Lieutenant Commander Richard Buckley, RN.

The Queen will attend the Commonwealth Day Observance Service at Westminster Abbey on March 8.

Mr G. M. Mercer and Miss J. M. Rochfort

and Muss J. M. Rochfort
The engagement is announced
between Geoffrey, son of Commander and Mrs R. H. Mercer, of
South Milton, South Devon, and
jill, daughter of Mr and Mrs O.
P. J. Rochfort, of Broad
Marston, Stratford-on-Avon,
Warwickshire.

Mr J. Parkin
and Mass A. L. C. Adams
The engagement is announced
between Jonathan, son of Mr and
Mrs P. D. Parkin, of Birkensbaw,
Bradford, Yorkshire, and Lesley,
daughter of Mr A. D. D. Adams,
of Surbiton, Surrey, and Mrs E.
R. Adams, of Maidenhead,
Berkshire.

The engagement is announced between David Julian, second son of Mr and Mrs Martin Selig, of Melbourne, Australia, and Aison Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Brady, of 16 Selwood Terrace, London, SW7.

Mr C E Spencer and Miss N K Katrak

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs G E Spencer, of Surbiton, Surrey, and Nicola, elder daughter of the late Mr H S Katrak and Mrs M Katrak, of Beech, Hampshire.

Marriages

Dr D. Ebrahim and Mrs I. Brinley-Richards The marriage took place quietly on January 23 at Hillmorton Parish Church, near Rugby, between Dr Donald Ebrahim and Mrs Ivy Brinley-Richards.

Group Captain G. H. Pirie and Mrs J. Hugill
The marriags took place yesterday in St Faith's Chapel, Westminster Abbey, between Group Captain Gordon Pirie and Mrs John Hugill. The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Loff. A reception was held in the Jerusalem Chamber.

Association of British Herb Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785 Growers and Producers A dinner was held at the Army Growers and Producers

The Association of British Herb
Growers and Producers held a
luncheon at the House of
Commons yesterday, by courtesy
of Mr John J. Wells MP, in
honour of Lord Ferrers, Minister
of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785
A dinner was held at the Army
and Navy Club of 1765 and 1785
A club exit of Lord in the Admiral Sir David
Williams presided and the other
speakers were Mr Peter Blaker,
MP and Admiral Sir Desmond
Cassidi.

Manorial Society of Great Britain Mr Robert Smith, Chairman of the Manorial Society of Great Britain, welcomed members and guests at a dinner held at the Carlton Club, London last night. Lord Montagu of Beaulieu was the guest speaker. Among those

Lord Saddley, Mr C H Bird, Miss C Carlwright, Mr H A 5 Carlwright Mr and Mrs T R Glark, Miss A C Doorson Mr M Farrow, Mr S Roney, Dr D D Mr Carthy, Mr S Roney, Dr G D Teall and Mr M Wynnt-Parker.

Association of Lancastrians in

The Association of Lancastrians in London held a City dinner last night at the Porter Tun Room. Mr Peter Armitage was in the chair and Mr John Minshull-Fogg and Mr W. M. Fernie also spoke. Among those present were:

Sir John and Lady Timey, Sir Desmond and Lady Heap, Colonel Sir Eric and Lady St Johnston. Sir Robert and Lady Smerville and Mrs Herbert Buller, Judger Phon. OC. and Mrs Physicand Mrs Mirabill-160g.

Alexandra Rose Ball | Army undergraduate awards

The Army Undergraduate Awards Board has awarded bursaries to the following from the Lent Term 1982:

1.1 Reade St Catherine's Coft. Oxford. M. E. D. Broderman. City of London Poly. G. T. Builer. Si John's Coff. Cambridge, N. D. Embelon, Last Anglia Univ. A. G. Gee. Sheffleid City Poly. C. M. Gunness. Lacter Univ. J. R. Schrist St. Lacter Univ. J. R. Schrist St. Catherine's Coff. Cambridge, N. D. R. Schrist St. Catherine's Coff. Cambridge, D. Cambridge, D. M. G. Cambridge, D. A. Wombwell, Aston Univ.

Move on church repair charges

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Church of England's inherited that liability in right to charge certain land-their title deeds.

The Prince of Wales will be admitted to the Freedom and Livery of the Pewterers' Comp-any at Pewterers' Hall, EC2, on March 10. That ancient custom, enforceable in law, gives parochial church councils the land, even a mere houseright in some cases to send holder, to have a legal
the bill for structural repairs liability of which he knows
to owners of land who have nothing. attend a charity greyhound race meeting at White City Stadium on March 30.

owners for the cost of repairs to the local parish of a farmer who found the living of that parish, may cover the next 20 years, according to an official claimed that he knew nothing be debated by the General Synod later this month.

The standing committee of the Synod wants the church to respond positively to a Law Commission proposal favouring the eventual abolition of what is called "Chancel repair liability" and care the liability at the time he bought the land.

Many landowners have been the patron of the living of that parish, may have been divided in many directions if the land was sold in parcels. Each subsequent owner of such a parcel becomes liable for the liability, which is a factor taken into account to respond positively to a law Commission proposal favouring the eventual abolition of what is called "Chancel repair liability" with alacrity. But for historical reasons it is quite of an asset which belongs to

inherited that liability in their ride deeds.

The original responsibility ject to proposals which their ride deeds.

Two years ago a case arose also have been the patron of the standing committee in the patron of the patron of

to seek the abolition of this right only gradually, as to end it suddenly might seem to be a form of confiscation of an asset which belongs to local churches. Parliament, which would be required to pass an Act in the light of recommendations from the Law Commission, might ob-

-The standing committee is known to fear that undue emphasis: in this reform might draw attention to a right which has in many cases been allowed to lapse, usually through ignorance and that public debate might stimulate local church counon January 30. He was 45.

Frank Carter was a Midlander, educated at King Edward School, Edgbaston; Birmingham University and University College, Bangor, ist dictionaries, translations, and the use of European to Loughborough as a lecturer in 1967, was promoted to a senior lectureship in 1974 and became Professor of German in 1976.

Previously, he had taught at Manor Park Grammar School, Numeaton from 1953-63, and at Highbury Technical College, Portsmouth from 1963-67.

OBITUARY

PROFESSOR F. T. C. CARTER

Modern methods of teaching

foreign languages

Professor F.T.C. Carter, and techniques he was a Professor of modern lan major exponent of the use of guages in the Department of audio-visual material and a

guages in the Department of European Studies, Loughbo-rough University of Tech-nology, died of a heart attack on January 30. He was 45. part in national discussions on the subject. Carter was

Deeply concerned with sity extends its deepest

MR SIGMUND POLLITZER

SIR DOUGLAS GLOVER

MR DONALD BOWIE

Mr Donald Bowie, Director in its child care practice of the Church of England Under his directorship the Children's Society died on society developed community January 31 after a short and neighbourhood projects illness. He was 60 He joined aimed at preventing children

illness. He was 60. He joined amed at preventing culturen the society in 1964 as Deputy being taken into care, as well birector, and succeeded as continuing to provide Canon Reginald Beeny in specialist care in residential homes and through adoption

HIS HON G. G. LIND-SMITH

from 1940 to 1945 as a 1968.

temporary major with the He married in 1928,
Royal Army service Corps.

From 1958 to 1959 he was Lieur Col. J. C. Kirk, CBE.

Recorder of Birkenhead and they had three daughters.

J. D. R. T. T. writes:

both. He had been mentioned in despatches and had loved his years in the TA. At the end

children, to whom the univer-

béfore 1961. But outside Great

garden at Freudenberg, looking after his roses with

his beloved labrador at his side. He much enjoyed being host to the Thatchers on

EAST TO A SEC

cils to make claims

A £500,000 appeal fund
has been launched to save a
Norman round church in Northampton (a correspondent writes). It is one of only four surviving Norman round thurches in Britain and church authorities say that unless the money is raised it will be in ruins within 25

for films in region

ies.

It is in line, however, with its policy of rethinking and regenerating its system of support for film exhibition.



Mr Frank Muir, the writer and broadcaster, who is 62.

Mr C. Gibbs Smith
A memorial service for Mr
Charles Gibbs Smith was held
yesterday at St Augustine's,
Queen's Gate. The Rev Kenneth
Hewitt officiard. Dame Margaret
Weston, Director of the Science
Museum, read the lesson and Sir
Roy Strong, Director of the
Victoria and Albert Museum,
gave an address. Among others
present were: Sandhurst entry

idarværd (threiher and sister-in-law). Mrs OH Gibbs-Smith, Nr Jonathan Gibbs-Smith, Canon and Mrs Jonathan Gibbs-Smith, Canon and Mrs Jonathan Gibbs-Smith, Nr Jonathan Gibbs-Smith, Nr John Tarfor. The Host Donaid and Mrs Kershaw. The Host Donaid and Mrs Kershaw. The Host Donaid and Mrs Kershaw. The Host Samuel. Sir Trenchard Cox, Sir David Follett. Air Marshal Sir Frederick. Sowrey. Mr Ternat Rodgilmann. Mr John Lowe, Mr John Frederick. Sowrey. Mr Ternathan Mr George Winglield Digby. Sir R I Charleston. Mr John Lowe, Mr John Francis. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Beckwith. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Beckwith. Mr John Mallett. Mr John Schwing King. Miss S Lowy. Mr George Nash. Mr Sand Robinson. Mr John Schwing Mr John Miss Louis Roye. Mr Arnold Nayler and other representatives of the Royal Acronaut. (Working Mm's College). Malor W J Goldsmith (Mongailo Aircraft Museum) and representatives of the College of Psychole Studies. Ine Flying Scheep Review and other Gryanizations.

D-Day Victoria | Latest wills

Latest estates racinde (net, before tex paid):

ating its system of support for film exhibition.

The particular beneficiaries will be the Bristol Watershed, the Bradford Film Theatre and the Derby Metro, with increases of 150, 95, and 40 per cent respectively.

The institute has also recognized the importance of the Edinbugh International Film Festival with an increase in grant of 35 per cent. The only other area entside the regions to get an increase is the preservation work of the National Film Archive. The Government has made a special capital grant of £100,000 towards the cost of supplementing the archive's now heavily overflowing acetate film storage vaults.

J. D. R. T. T. writes:

As a former colleague may I
add a comment on your
obituary of Sir Douglas
Glover. Wise, gentle, kind,
with a great gift of friendship,
he had a splendid sense of
humour. He loved to ralk and
showed great courage when
he knew he had cancer.
He talked much about the
Army and politics. He had
served his country well in
both. He had been mentioned Senior officers said yesterday that they regarded work at the centre to be an important part of the training of cadets and young constables on community re-lations work, the standard of which in the Greater Manchester force has been both praised and criticized since the Moss Side his years in the TA. At the end of the war he had put on a side. He much enjoyed being host to the Thatchers on the then Queen Juliana in aid of the Dutch Red Cross and was made a Knight Officer of the Order of Orange-Nassau. In politics at home he was the last active member of the House of Commons, to be chairman of the Conservative Party Conference, rare even his believer in Conservative policies.

Birthdays today



The following joined the Royal Military Academy Sandburst in

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Welbert C.

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A Macdonaid. Edinburgh G. F. E. C.

Macobernon. Eng. C. J. D. MaloThompson. Deusi S. Bertis: R. A.
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Inverses HS. G M D McCallooph.

£1m boost

By Kenneth Gosling

Against a backdrop of the rapid decline in film exhibition throughout Britain, the British Film Institute yesterday announced its biggest ever funding to the regions.

For the first time in its history its cash grant to regional arganizations tops film; in particular, the grants to regional arts associations are up by nearly 21 per cent to £613,000, enabling them to maintain them programmes of work in film production, exhibition and education.

The institute's grant from the A correspondent writes:

Sigmund Pollitzer, who died on January 29 at the age of 68, was a remarkable artist and a remarkable character.

He first made a name for his surroundings. For 20 years he was a regular visitor he signer of art-deco glass panels, and was one of the artists who contributed to the decor of the Queen Mary.

After an unhappy period in the army at the beginning of the war, he settled for a his work in the 1930pn, while in a country cottage at represented in the Victoria and many characteristically where he produced a dazzling least two of his works were series of pen and ink draw series of pen and ink draw surd studies of sunflowers and Redfern galleries in the 1950s. His later work was exhibited mainly in Rome and America.

education.

The institute's grant from the Government for 1982-83 is up by about 1600,000 to more than 17m. The regional increases have been not partly by cutting back on the institute's own in-house activities.

overflowing acetate film storage vanits.
But in spite of a further £100,000 to transfer deteriorating nitrate film to safety stock, the total preserving budget of £675,000 is calculated to be less than half that needed to save the national film beritage.



Bowie came to the society and fostering. He was instruwith wide experience in both the Colonial Service and in setting up a commerce. He joined the Colonial Service in 1947 after serving in the King's African Rifles during the war and retired as an Assistant Secretary in Dar es Salaam. On returning to Britain he work for children and families.

Bewie led and guided the society through a period of the leaves a widow and marked change of emphasis three daughters. tormer Under-Secretary at the Department of Education and Science, is to be Secretary of the University Grants Commutee from March 15.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour, to be Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Professor J. E. Meade and Professor D. G. MacRae, Mrs Michal Hambourg (sister-in-law) played the last movement of Schumann's Fantasia. Among the Among Characteristics of Secretary at the Lieutenant-General Sir Ciarence Bird, 97; Mr Peter Fleetwood-Hesketh, 77; Mr Ian Findlay, 64; Lord Gibson, 66; Professor Sir Antony Hornby, 78; Miss Susan Hill, 40; Wing Commander R. A. B. Learoyd, VC, 63; Prebendary Dewi Morgan, 66; Professor A. M. Neville, 59; Mr John Pritchard, 61; the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, 78; Sir Bruce White, 97. His Hon Gerard Gustave: became a County Court Lind-Smith, who died on Judge in 1959 on the Bir-Pebruary 3 at the age of 79, mingham Circuit where he was a Circuit Judge from remained until 1966. From 1959 to 1975, he was on Educated at Wellington Circuit 23 (Coventry, Nor-College and University College, Oxford, Lind-Smith was deputy chairman of Cheshire called to the Bar by the Inner Quarter Sessions in 1957 and Temple in 1928. He served from 1940 to 1945 as a temporary major with the He married, in 1928.

25 years ago From The Times of Monday February 4 1957

February 4 1957
Nicosia, Feb 3.—A government statement today says that reliable information has been received from many sources that during this week the terrorists plan to devote all their remaining resources to creating as much termol and disorder in Cyprus as passible.

Forthcoming marriages The engagement is announced between Peregrine Anthony Litton, second son of Brigadier and Mrs E. C. L. Simson, of Chilbotton, Hampshire, and Hilary Eila. younger daughter of Sir Paul Mailinson, Br, FRCP, of Bembridge, Isle of Wight and Eila Lady Mallinson, of The Gateways, London, SW3.

Mr J. D. Carrington and Miss J. M. Caplin The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs R. J. Carrington, of London, N14, and Judy, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs M. Caplin, of London, NW11.

Mr R. O. B. Cooper and Miss M. J. Holland The engagement is announced between Oliver, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. B. Cooper, of Bricett Hall, Great Bricett, Ipswich, Mail, Great Bircett, 195wich, Suffolk, and Miranda Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. B. B. Holland The Windmill Inn, Pitch Hill, Ewhurst, Nr Cran-

Mr. A. H. Hope and Miss R. J. Johnstone The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Hugh Hope, of Fosters, Martingley, Basingstoke, Hampshire, and Rosanna, daughter of Major Ian Johnstone. of Brixton Deverill, Warminster, Wiltshire, and of Mrs Susan Day.

The engagement is announced between Keith, son of Mr and Mrs K. J. Mayne. of Wimbledon, London, and Donna, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. F. Staunton, of Christchurch, New Zealand.

Dr K. R. Mayne and Miss D. M. Staunton

Luncheon

Reception Lord Mayor of Westminster The Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, Baroness Phillips, was London, Baroness Phillips, was present at a reception given at City Hali last night by the Lord Mayor of Westminster for the Westminster winners of the Queen's Awards for Export and Technology in 1980 and 1981. The other guests included: The Hon Peter Brooke, MP, Mr John Wheeler, MP, Mr Derek Allen, Mr Geoffrey Edwards and Mr Keith Grant.

Service dinner

HMS Royal Arthur sims Royal Arthur
Mr John Garnett, director of the
Industrial Society, was the guest
of honour at a guest night dinner
held in HMS Royal Arthur, the
Royal Navy's Petty Officers'
Leadership School, at Corsham,
Willshire last night Commander
C. R. Green exercise officers of

The Alexandra Rose Ball will be held on Thursday, May 20, at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W1, from 8.30 pm to 2.00 am. Tickets are available at £25.00 each, including dinner and a lucky numbered ball programme, from Mrs B Weston, I Castlenau, Barnes, SW13 9RP. The chairman of the communitiee is Lady Bellinger and the junior committee is jointly organized by Miss Sarah Frampton and Miss Clare Bardsley. Moreover... Miles Kington

March last year Professor Marsland was appointed Vice-Chancellor for one year from October 1, 1981, pending the naming of a permanent successor to Lord Hunter. At its meeting on January 20, the university council approved a recommendation that be appointed until 1986. 1986. The council ruled that future appointments to the office of vice-chancellor and principal should be for a fixed term.

Our recent list of worst-selling books for the rare book trade was so successful that we are making another innovation today. This is a new service for those who like classical records, but find the stuff on the best-selling classical list rather heavy going. For them, and for all those who have decided that concert music is not nearly 5. as bad at they once thought, we present:

Classical Records: The Monster-Selling List

Julio Izlesias. "O Mein Papa", "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and 18 other massive hits, with the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra. (OTT 459100, £5.99, also

cassette.)
2. James Galway and His Golden Flute: Themes for the Great Silent Movies. (Mogadon PVC 495100, also on cassette, £5.99.) 3. Placido Domingo: "It's Easy to Tango!" Step-bystep instructions by the king of Latin music, together with life-size foot

charts, free bow-tie and

souvenir booklet of Buenos

Night in Old Belfast! The knees-up record to end all knees-up records, with the lads of Murphy's Bar and the Massed Bands of the SAS. (Harp 409510, £5.99, also in bottle and can.)

Sing Along with Placido
Domingo! The darling of
the late-night chic opera
party crowd in concert with the Royal Covent Garden Opera House audience. taking nineteen encores,

cheeky devil. (Valium 001945, E5.99, also in flip-top dispenser.) 6. James Galway and his Diamond Flute: The James Joyce Centenary Album, with Joyce's verses read by Pam Ayres. (Harp 954100, 55.99, with many photos of

Frank Delaney.)
The John Williams No-Gimmick LP, Just One Guitar and No Messing About. Honest. Well, with Guest Stars Cleo Laine, John Dankworth and Andre Previn. But otherwise 20 gimmicks. Backing by The Who. (Glitter 001954, £5.99, also autographed, £50.)

Aires. (Supertax 419500, 8. Andre Previn and Friends, 55.99, also in paperback.)

Vol 8. Features actual live recording of Andre Previn platinum Flute: Saturday being congratulated by his

cinnamon.)

being congratulated by his friends on success of Vols 1-7. (Ferguson 901450, £5.99, also on video.) The All-Electric HMS
Pinafore. New York cast recording of new Gilbert and Sullivan smash hit, featuring Placid Domingo and Sting, and introducing the tap-dancing of Rudolf Nureyev. (Lloyd Webber 900145, £5.99, also in

phies by an anonymous sixteenth century printmaker known as the "Master of the Year 1515", printed on a single sheet of paper, sold for £6,380 (estimate £1,500 to £3,000).

Other examples were the £3,300 (estimate £700 to £1,000) for a fine impression

Birmingham Professor Edward Marsland has

University news

£3.000).

10. James Galway and his Nuclear-Powered Flute: Tunes from the Great Commercial Jingles (Hovis 910054, £5.99, also in giant, 1. Placido Domingo sings Lullabies. Yes, go to sleep with the Barry Manilow opera! (Barbiturate 590104, 1500) in parilla connector. £5.99, in vanilia, orange or Cinnamon.)

2. The James CalwayPlacido Domingo a 2020
Party Album! Dance the rany Atomic Dance and Jim, also Stephane and Yehudi, John and Cleo, Julian and John, Andre and friends! (Parky 900154, with free sick-bag.)

Lord Pargiter
The Speaker was represented by
Mr Ernest Armstrong, MP, at a
memorial service for Lord
Pargiter held at St Margarer's,
Westminster, yesterday. Canon
Trovor Beeson officiated. Sir
James Swaffield, Director General
and Clerk to the Greater London
Council, and Dr the Hon Russell
Pargiter (son) read the lessons.
Mr Carleton Hetherington gave
an address. Others present
included: been appointed Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the university for five years

£38,900), but the other poten-

tial moneyspinner, an antique silk Kashan carpetwas bought in at £36,000. That was main contributor to the 50 per cent unsold total. Christie's said later that they

were negotiating a private sale.

Memorial services

The Duke of Kent with members of the Ancosts youth centre yesterday

Duke sees how police help the young

the centre had services voluntarily as instruc

The police hope that a similar centre might be established in the Moss Side area.

Latest appointments

Secretary at the Department of Health and Social Security and a former Under-Secretary at the Department of Education and Science, is to be Secretary of the University Grants Committee from March 15.

Mr C. Gibbs-Smith

rents include:

The Duke of Kent saw another side of the much criticized Greater Manchester police yesterday when he visited the Ancoats youth centre, which is run by the force as part of its community relations programme. He met some of the 1,200 members, most of whom live in the poorer areas on the north side of the city and who are provided with facilities for sports ranging from boxing to aubaqua diving.

Founded as the Ancoats Lads' Club in 1889 by a local many other officers give their

Works by Breughel and

Goya fail to find buyers

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Corresponden

In March last year Professor

A meeting in memory of Professor T. H. Marshall was held at the London School of Economics and Political Science Economics and Political Science yesterday. Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Director, introduced the meeting and Professor R. A. Pinker read from Eliot's Little Gidding. Tributes were paid by Dr H. Hillman, Mrs. Jean Floud,

Cross for sale The only Victoria Cross won on D-Day will be suctioned by Stephenson, of Sheffield, solicitor for Stanley Hollis, of the Green Howards, who died in 1972 and it is being offered for sale anonymously.

The auction will be the first public sale of a second World War VC, and the medal could fetch £22,000

before tax paid):

kranson, Colonel Sir Douglas Stephenson, of Sheffield, solicitor for first public stanley Hollis, of the East Dereham, Norfolk £570,782

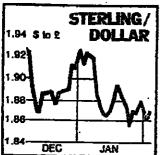
Potter, Professor, George Richard, of Hathersage, Derbyshire fetch £22,000

Williams, Mr Graham Wyatt, of Kensington, Loudon, solicitor fetch £22,000

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Sterling one cent up

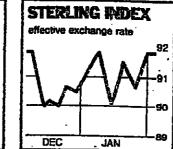


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The pound rose aganst the dollar on the money markets The pound rose against the dollar on the money markets but fell against some other major currencies. The effective rate slipped slightly, closing at 91.7, down 0.1. It was 100 points up against the American currency, at \$1.8700. The pound has been strengthening for some days on the effective rate, climbing one percentage point during the last eight trading days.

Nissan UK talks

Senior executives of Nissan, the Japanese car maker, are expected in London next week for talks in Whitehall on the company's proposed United Kingdom car manufacturing plant. The delegation will be led by Mr Masataka Okuma, vice-president. Nissan is believed to have selected a site for the factory last year, probably in the north-east. The talks are expected to lead to a formal announcement of the chosen site.

MARKET SUMMARY

Lucas leads a retreat

PSBR on course

on course for the Government's estimate of £10,600m or the full financial year. in the three months to Decemher, the PSBR was only £212m, which went unconditional on helped by the recovery of about £1,500m of delayed tax.

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Grand Metropolitan has

• Chana is he world's most cxpensive country for a Briton, according to a survey by Employment Conditions Abroad. Inflation there means a British style of meal would cost more than ten times as much as in Britain.

Hotel in West London for £7.7m.

The Government and industry is to launch a joint campaign to promote the British viewdata system Prestel to consumers.

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT All Share 328.72 down

jobs at Lucas Industries' aeros-

pace division produced a sharp burst of reverse thrust to the

After a cautious start, equities,

retreated amid nervous selling, something the jobbers had tried

to achieve all week, as stock

shortages became more acute. The FT Index closed 3.2 down at

574.8 after being 2.3 down at

10am. Lucas shares tumbled 9p to

221p and were the cause of hefty losses on all other aerospace leaders. Smiths industries fell

12p to 356p, Hawker Siddeley 10p to 340p, and British

running out of steam, but, after

initial falls recovered to close £1/4

up in longs and £1/2 up in shorts

support. Several market sources said the long-awaited bid could

be weeks away instead of

Esewhere in shipping, London & Overseas Freighters added a

urther 1 4p to 62p in expectation

the Panamanian group acting on behalf of Mr Faisol Hashim, who

owns 17.23 per cent of the

to £17.03½p as a line of 200,000 shares, worth £3.5m, went through the market at £17.50p.

Royal Dutch/Shell fell 621/2p

of a bid from Leane Inve

This in turn depressed which stipped 6p to 372p.

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Among blue chips P & O d'fd resisted the trend rose 1p to 138p on renewed Far Eastern

prospace 9p to 195p.
Gitts also showed signs of

market's ambitions vesterday

FT Index 574.8 down 3.2 FT Gifts 64.95 up 0.16

Bargains 19,335

Gatt inquiry

The public sector borrowing requirement in the nine months to December totalled an investigation into the months to December totalied an investigation isto the 19,710m. But after allowing an estimated £3,000m for the impact of trade protectionism. The group, chaired by Sir impact of the civil servants' Alec Cairneross, will report to dispute, the underlying figure a Gatt ministers' meeting next

© Grand Metropolitan has sold to Vaux Breweries of Sunderland, the International Hotel in West London for

Shares of Platignum, the pen

manufacturer, were suspended 1p up at 8p after news of a possible

bid approach. The company said it was studying proposals submit-ted by a third party. Last year it made losses of almost £500,000

and at last night's level was valued at just under £1.5m.

The buyers were out in force for S & W Bertsford amid talk of

a favourable broker's seminar.

brokers, W Greenwell, said the

institutions were buying ahead of

go ex-div on February 15, rose 5p

Mills and Allen jumped 14p to

542p as Hambros Bank sold its stake of 1.2m shares to Hambros

Shareholders in the brewery industry were offered liftle encouragement by a space of annual meetings. Metthew Brown eased 4p to 174p after being told

by the chairman that the bad

At Greenall Whitley, figures

were down in the first quarter and

the chairman said it would be

difficult to maintain profits at last

year's level. The price slipped 1p.

Meanwhile, Arthur Guinness shareholders were told that beer

sales in Ireland had fallen and that negotiations for the sale of

advanced stage. The shares lost

1p to 74p.

Vaux Brewery also fell 5p to

127p after announcing it had just paid £7.7m for one of Grand

Metropolitan s condon notes.

Better than expected profits news added 13p to Blunde Permoglaze at 107p, but first half losses left Smith Bros, one of the

market's two quoted jobbers, 3p off at 37p.

Equity turnover on February 3

£175.151m (17,107

Michael Clark

Metropolitan's London hotels.

weather had again bit sales.

sman for Berisford's

Storm over tripled US budget deficit

From Bailey Morris Washington, Feb 4

Representatives today as Democratic and Republican leaders received more bad new about the projected deficit for the 1982 finacial

gericit for the 1982 funcial climb from \$109,000m this year.

Based on current estimates of total Federal revenues expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal congressional budget figures year ending in September, House leaders were told they must write a new 1982 budget resolution showing a deficit almost triple the earlier projection.

Climb from \$109,000m this fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal congressional budget figures indicated.

Mrs Rivlin blamed the new administration's military building fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, expected in the 1982 fiscal year.

almost triple the earlier projection.

The 1982 deficit is now expected to climb to \$109,500m, up sharply from the earlier projection of dollars \$37,700m largely because of increased defence expenditures and higher than expected costs for social expected costs for social programmes.

Members of the House budget committee received

unpublished figures showing greatly increased Federal outlays of \$741,000m in 1982 and lower than expected revenues for the year of

This would result in a deficit of more than \$1,000m, Mrs Alice Rivlin, director of the Congressional budget office said. She disclosed the figure in testimony before the house armed services committee.

The United States stock market reacted to the news said showing small gains most of the morning.

cratic chaiman of the com- debt. forecast indicated the Admin- are now expected to reach istration's basic economic \$740,700m compared with

week to push through its

economic programme.
In tackling Belgium's economic problems of high unem-

ployment, a huge budget deficit and a growing gap in the current account balance

of payments, Mr Martens's coalition of right-wing liberal and centrist Christian parties

has chosen to mix wage

restraint and government austerity with pro-business

measures to get investment

The week's first package of

neasures under the special

powers were anything but painful. To aid the building

industry the government has

decided to cut value adde tax

on construction to 6 per cent from 17 per cent for two

years, and suppress capital gains tax on unused building

It is awarding tax con-cessions to the self-employed and owners of small busi-nesses and reducing VAT on

gold to just 1 per cent from 6

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A new turore over the raise doubts about the num-Reagan Administration's bers to be includeed in the handling of budget figures new 1983 budget message to eruted in the US House of congress.

Based on current administration policies and without further steep budget cuts, the deficit is expected to climb from \$109,000m this

dup.
Mrs Rivlin blamed the new estimates on the Reagan Administration's military

buildup which she said would not rekindle inflation but could retard economic could retard economic growth greatly by producing huge deficits and high interest rates.
Mr Jones

committee had received new figures from the administration showing higher costs for unemployment and greatly reduced tax revenues resulting from lower incomes in the United States during the first six months of fiscal 1982.

lucomes were down by \$30,000m during the period and oil prices dropped by about \$8,000m. This cut \$657,000m assumed in the earlier budget resolution to \$631,000m.

At the same time, Mr Jones market reacted to the news said projected federal almost immediately dropping outlays, had risen sharply three points by midday after because of \$8,000m in new unemployment costs and \$7,400m in higher federal Mr James Jones, the Demo- interest costs to finance the Total outlays in fiscal 1982

assumptions have been \$695,500m projected in the wrong all along. He said they earlier budget resolution.

Consultation with both sides

of industry is planned but the objective is already clear.

The government is deter

mined to keep the overall growth of wages and salaries this year down to 3 per cent.

mobilizing against plans to revise the index with the

FGTB, the socialist trade

union federation, and the French-speaking wing of the

Christian trade union move-

ment in the depressed south of the country having called a general strike for Monday.

A gargantuan task that still

has to be tackled is devising

the economies to make the 1982 budget deficit conform with the Government's target of Belir200,000m (£2,400m).

At the time of its formation

in December, the Govern-ment said it would have to

effect new economies of about BF120,000m to achieve

this goal and promised

rigorous campaign agains public waste and tax fraud.

Organized labour is already

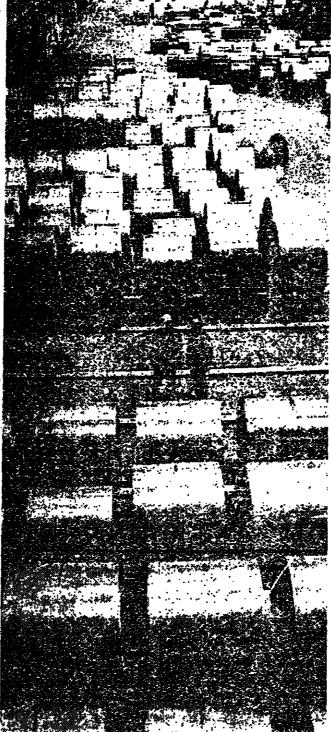
Emergency powers

for Belgian economy

From Peter Norman, Brussels, Feb 4

Belgium's ceptre-right The painful parts of the coalition government of Mr programme will start to come Wilfied Martens has put in the next weeks. The forward its first "train" of government is determined to

measures to revive the country's economy. Others will follow soon under the special powers that parliament in an attempt to make the granted the government its determined to weaken the Belgian system of index linking wages and other payments to inflation, in an attempt to make the granted the government his country more competitive.



Heavy losses lead to German steel merger

reelmaking operations would be pooled by the end of this year with other divisions following as soon as

Krupp Stahl and Hoesch have incurred heavy losses as a result of the European steel crisis. The decision to pool their resources follows more than a year of discussions and will be followed by a request for state aid to help finance rationalization measures.

The two companies each produced around five million tonnes of crude steel last year, accounting for about one quarter of total West German output. Their comhined turnover was around DM12,000 (*2.750m).

manufacturing group while Estel Hoesch Werke is the West German part of Dutch-West German Estel.

West Germany's second and third largest steel companies today announced plans to merge their steel making capacity to be known as Ruhrstahl AG.

The plans were approved at meetings of the supervisory boards of Krupp Stahl in Bochum and Estel Hoesah Werke in Dortmund.

A joint statement said the A joint statement said the up its special steel capacity.

The companies said they would be able to cut costs through the better use of existing plant, through eliminating overlapping pro-duction divisions and avoid-ing duplicate investments. They announced a series of

new investment projects including the concentration of steel-making in Dortmund in a new oxygen plant with an annual production capacity of 3,500,000 tonnes.

Meanwhile, Thyssen, the largest West German steel and engineering group, is now breaking even on its steelmaking operations and hopes to be in profit from the second quarter of this year.

The company has so much Krupp Stahl is the steelmaking arm of the Krupp it is planning a rights issue engineering and heavy plant

Dr Dieter Spethman confidence in the future that

Dr Dieter Spethmann, Thyssen's chief executive, said in Dusseldorf yesterday that shares would probably be offered in a ratio of one to The two firms will have five when stock market equal shares in the new conditions allowed.

Chrysler tanks sale

company, met yesterday to M1 battle tank, makes consider a \$350m (£187.5m) offer for its tank division \$60m. Mr Lee Iacocca, the from General Dynamics, Chrysler chief, is said to one of the leading American manufacturers of military berdware. Talks have bed mublicity of any further

The board of Chrysler, the roubled United States car subsidiary, which builds the tary hardware. Talks have bad publicity of any further

also been going on between request for government aid. Hoesch's cold rolling mill at Dortmund: modern mills but the two companies and the Tin market CBI Budget plans 'modest'

of crisis: By Michael Prest

on verge

London's tin market was on the verge of crisis last night despite recent attempts by the London Metal Exchange authorities to restore calm.
The price of cash tin rose another £110 to £8,945 a the CBI's Budget proposals while the three price fell £32 to tonne, months £8,045.

Dealers said that the major buyer who has dominated the market since last summer did not sell any tin yesterday. This forced up the price of cash tip and widened still further the backwardation cash prices are normally lower than forward prices. Tin is needed by speculators who went short three months ago and whose contracts mature on February 25 and

The LME committee is therefore faced with the real danger that a corner in tin has been built up. On Tuesday the committee said that after discussions with ring dealing members it had reached an understanding that the premium on cash tin should be limited to £120.

But market sources said that the supply tightness, which loomed later in the month and which was the authorities' main concern, had spread to almost all dates for February delivery. As a for February Genvery. As a result, normal trading on the LME tin market has virtually ceased and the LME committee is faced with a major challenge.

Trading yesterday was largely limited to switching between different delivery dates as traders tried to Dealers have complained for several months that industry has left the market, and some fear that LME's reputation is being damaged.

The immediate cause of the squeeze is delay to tin shipments aggravated in the view of some traders by the

The Confederation of British Industry's plea for a ment in 1982-83 of £250m, £1,800m boost for industry rising to £1,000m the followwould not throw the Government's economic plans off more than offset by recourse and out of kilter, Sir ductions in government curTerrance Region of the followto the process of the followhelp industry cut costs and ductions in government curincrease output will leave it

which he reckoned were modest, constructive and modest, constructive and absolutely consistent with the government's overall objectives.

Speaking in London, Sir Terence said: "Even more important, they are one hundred per cent consistent with the best interests of United Kingdom trade and industry. That is why they deserve to be supported and adopted".

"What our package dies isto enable the Chancellor to keep one of the major rpromises of this govern-ment's election manifesto — to restore the health of our economic life and still control inflation."
The CBI is seeking an

breathing down our necks. How perverse can you get?" Meanwhile a reduction in interest rates is the key to the recovery for British industry, according to the Association of British Chambers of Commerce in its budget submissions to the

Chancellor of the Exchequer. The association, which

Terence Beckett, CBI director general siad yesterday.

He had issued a challenge to the government to accept the CBI's Budget proposals

The National Insurance "smaller and weaker", the CBI's Budget proposals

The National Insurance "smaller and weaker", the Association put forward two was now widely recognised as The first, and more strategy is simply.

a tax on jobs and home-pro- favoured, strategy is simply duced goods and virtually a to reduce the Public Sector subsidy for imports, he said. Borrowing Requirement by "In fact, NIS is the exact £3,000m, immediately reducopposite of an export subsidy ing interest rates and, so the and if we attempted to levy argument gocs, stimulating such a subsidy we would private investment and boost-soon have Gatt and the EEC ing output. But anticipating that such

a drastic pruning of the PSBR may prove politically impossible, the Association suggests an alternative approach based on reducing industry's costs.

This strategy requires a 50 per cent cut in employers' National Insurance Sur-charge, cheaper energy for represents 57,000 member British firms, a reduction in firms through its 87 local public utility charges and chambers, believes its investment in road and rail approach to be more realistic systems.

Bros., one of the two quoted jobbing firms on the London market. There was a pretax loss of £798,000, as a result of which the dividend for the six months to October 23 has been halved at 0.5p, paid out

The loss per share is 3.7p as against earnings per share of 7p for the same period of

sectors, and specializes in the gold market.

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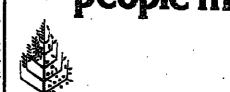
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where the best people meet.



Oil taxation policies readily criticized Several North Sea oil fields than 15 per cent, the mini-

Government last year, two oil experts claim today in a Alexander

assistant, say that the introduction of special petroleum duty in the last Budget has pushed the real rate of return on Shell / Esso's South Cormorant discovery and the Heather field operated by has decided to press ahead Union Oil, two proven fields, with the appraisal of a field it discovered in 1975. The field. below 10 per cent.

discovered in 1975. The field

producers led by Malaysia.
The buyers have spent at least £350m acquiring more than 50,000 tonnes of tin.

A number of other fields, a few miles to the south west including Beatrice and Mag- of Occidental's Claymore nus, give real returns of less field, is to be called Scapa.

as the rolling ball, the last ipoint and the fountain pen much of pencils but of cheap big technology leap in pens. (now with under 9 per cent traditional ballpoints.

menager states.

The rolling ball, in which Japan's Pentel is market leader, is "a mutant" between the traditional bal-

market share by value). The description comes from Mr Graham White, marketing Wilkinson Sword, a subsidiary of Alleg-heny International based in Pittsburgh in the Junited - He sees the erasable bal-

lpoint as a variation between the traditional ballpoint and the pencil. Wood-case pencils is a £14m sector which pushes the total market to nearly £100m a year but Mr White expects the erasable ballpoint to hit sales not so

This is because the biggest customers for erasable ballpoints, at about 39p a piece.

are expected to be schoolchildren although there could also be some sales for office use. Accountants, whe appear to favour microfine pens, might be a target

COMMODITIES

 Gas oil prices mainly held on the International Petroleum Ex-change in London yesterday, with May closing at £271.50-£272 a lonne. More distant contracts weakened were also steady suggesting that traders expect Saudi Arabian oil production to remain below 8.5m barrels a day



up £76.50 a tonne to £1,286, and May was £37 higher at £1,208. Traders said nearby supplies are

TODAY

Housing starts and completions Company results: Burt Boulton, Dura Mill, English Associated Group, ML Holdings, (half-year); Portsmouth and Sunderland (9 months); Associated Fisheries. British American and General Trust, Glasgow Stockholders

OTHER EXCHANGES

Hongkong: Hang Seng Index

down 15.77. Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 7,834 down 26.24.

CURRENCIES

 The dollar weakened in late trading. The pound recover from a day's low of \$1.8615.

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1|8700 up 100 points Index 91.7 down 0.1 DM 4.3775 Fr.F 11.0900 Yen 435.50 DOLLAR Index 111.4 unchanged DM 2.3350 down 220 pts GOLD

MONEY MARKETS

\$384.50 up \$6.25

Markets held steady. The Bank bought £262m of bills on a forecast shortage of £300m. Its dealing rates were unchanged.

Domestic Rates: Base rates 14% 3-month interbank 145-144 Euro-Currency Rates 3 month dollar 15-1513 is 3 month DM 1014-10318 3 month Fr.F 15%-15%

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

now offer less than commercial rates of return as a result of the harsher tax regime introduced by the

swingeing attack on the Chancellor's oil taxation poli-Kemp, Reader in Economics at Aberdeen University, and Mr David Rose, his research

A novel ball-point pen

balipoints to as high a level

mum that oil companies are normally prepared to accept for such high-risk capitalintensive projects. In an 82-page submission

to the Chancellor, the two academics say that the North Sea fiscal system is "badly in "They cal need of reform". They call for the existing complicated four-tier tax regime, consist-ing of royalty, special pet-roleum duty, petroleum revenue tax and corporation tax, to be scrapped and replaced

misjudgment of market psychology by the LME committee. But behind these factors lies heavy buying since last July which traders believe has come from tin

Jobbers hit by lean. market

By Sally White Roller-coaster share prices and the low ebb of interest in British equities last summer caused a slump at Smith

Mr Anthony Lewis, the chairman, says there has been an appreciable improvement in trading in the third quarter. He adds: "It is impossible at this stage to forecast the results for the full year.

the previous year. Smith Bros. does not deal in gilt-edged stock but trades in 1,800 different shares across many of the equity

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New rub-out pen joins £85m sales battle

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

whose latex-based ink can be erased with a rubber is The rolling ball pen, which adding a new dimension to the already complex battle first made a big sales impact among different systems in just over three years ago, uses a wet ink in contrasst to the £85m-sales pens market. A carbon-copy battle of the the original ballpoints which employ thicker oil-based ink new throwaway erasable ballpoints seen in the United paste. Rolling ball pens States between Gillette's account for at leasts 12 per Papermate range and Wilkinmarket, according to Wilkin-son Sword, but other trade son Sword's Scripto starts next month in Britain. In the sources claim 17 per cent and United States the tussle between these two companies, long rival in the razors market, has taken volume sales of the erasable

consumers when erasables appear in this category.

Little impact is foreseen on sales of fibre pens, another user of wet ink, which now account for about 16 per cent of the overall market by value, according to Mr White.

Risky decision facing brokers ... Amstrad still riding high

Uncertainty over Futures Exchange

Senior partners of the Stock Exchange's 250 broking and jobbing firms should be told today their own risk. (Philip Robinson

the Exchange Council on whether their performance in Line. Howto change its rules to allow ever, all members, alert to
members to operate in a dual changing business of the excapacity in Liffe while maintainchange, will be concerned that
ing seperate capacity in the Stock
Exchange.

The Police Stock is argument in the courts.

Mr Peter Wills, deputy chairman of the Stock Exchange and the man who has headed a committee to look at how ex-change members would fit in with Liffe, said yesterday that the council had made no firm decisions because there was no clear idea of how Liffe would work in

What they have done is to set out guidelines which effectively say that the council could change its mind at any time depending on how Liffe progresses.

Three weeks of intense pressure, largely from the market's leading gilt brokers, ensured that no vote was taken last Tuesday when the council met to consider proposals about a change in the exchange rule book.

The exchange is having to decide on a question of principle. Bowing to pressure from some of

A call on shareholders for

huilding and timber group Y. J. Lovell yesterday failed to budge the shares, standing at 274p, 2p off the year's

The news comes two weeks after the group reported last

year's pretax profits ahead

by 11 per cent to £3.12m and higher dividend. The

gloomy but predictable signs

were losses in its timber importing business and plant

hire companies.

The issue will raise 1.71 million new shares at 220p

each on basis of one for four.

A scrip issue of one for one is planned after the issue and

shares issued before will also

Sir Peter Trench, chairman, said the group pre-ferred to fund activities and

ings at January 8 were £13.7m.

es than forward selling to

BIDS AND DEALS

Burmah Oil has received accept-

ances covering 20.5. Croda International shares, representing 19.4 per cent of the ordinary

have been extended until February

1982 of 7p (3.75p) a share.

shareholders should have know-ledge now of Croda's 1982 divs.

so that they can properly assess the value of Croda shares in the

its offer and seeks to acquire ord.

shares in the market at higher

than 70p. The review of prospects

for 1982 and later years is proceeding. Directors will com-

The outlook for Croda and the

chemical sector generally over the next tew years is so favourable that Croda says it would be a disservice to share holders not to

forecast to shareholders not to forecast a level of divs. for 1982

demonstration of the confidence the board has in the future. The

board is therefore forcasting divs. for the year ending December 26 1982 of 7p an increase of 86 per

cent over the 3.75p net rec-

include an acceptance by Castrol,

wholly owned by Burmah, in respect of 17.42m ord. shares (16.5 per cent of the ordinary

share capital and 14.99 per cent

of the total voting share capital)

which were purchased on Decem-

ber 18 1981, before the offers

acquired or agreed to be acquired by Burmah since December 18.

Rell and Howell, the inter-

national information systems

company, had acquired the

whole of the issued share capital

of Data Laboratories, the Mitcham (Surrey)-based maker of

the Datalab range — currently

Kingdom of high-technology

part of the international elec-

tronics and instruments division

of Bell and Howell, the British company responsible for oper-

Data Laboratories will form

market leader in the United

Other persuant to the offers no

in Croda have been d or agreed to be acquired

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nmended for 1981. Acceptances of the ord. offer

Burmah is forecasting dividends

nces for some 220,000

financial institutions.

Lovell is pushing ahead in

expansion by an issue to increasing overall level of gearing which currently stands at 50 per cent to shareholder's funds. Borrow-

potential. In current market world — to shareholders to

shares or 17.6 per cent of total turing, and also retain re-voting capital. It also received sponsibility for marketing its

deferred shares, or 0.18 per cent Overseas, however, marketing of the voting capital. The offers will in future be strengthened by

Croda's board considers that substantial increase in export

ment in due course during the range, extending from the offer period on the outstanding capture and storage of data to

conditions, this is better done from within its own resourc-

main businesses.

Lonsdale is

director, and Mr Derek Bond,

the division's United Kingdom technical director, have been

appointed Datalab's joint manag-

ing directors.
"Datalab will keep its own

identity in design and manufac-

products in the United Kingdom.

the existing network of Bell and

Howell Companies, Mr Bond

sales, especially as Datalab's

advanced equipment for the processing of high-speed and

transient waveform complements

Bell and Howell's own trans-

ducers, signal amplifiers and data recorders.

The group will now be able to

offer a comprehensive product

second Ford main dealership to

Munton Brothers is to acquire

Lillygould, a private company. The price will be £250,000 in

either cash or ordinary shares in

Munton, which when placed on behalf of the vendor will provide

a net sum of £250,000 after

commission and expenses; and 476,190 ordinary shares in Munton which the vendors will

retain for minimum of a year, ogether with an amount equal

o 30 per cent of the adjusted

Johnson Group Cleaners has

share capital of Tuchman Cleaners, and Tuchman Realty Inc of

cleaner in Indianapolis, state capital of Indiana, where it has

about *1.9m.

Datalab's founder and managing rental, and some commercial made goods.

ations on Euroe, Africa and the 29 retail shops. Other activities Middle East. Mr Steven Warman, include apparelmaster garment

This is expected to lead to a

qualify.

Lovell

Call to

raise

£3.6m

its members, the council has been looking at ways of allowing members to act in a dual capacity role in Liffe while preserving an argument for separate capacity which it intends to put before the Restrictive Practices Court poss-

ibly next year or in 1984.

The Office of Fair Trading has already decided that the Stock Exchange rule book, which says jobbers must only make a market that they can take up membership and brokers must only make a market of Financial Futures Exchange agent, embodies a restrictive pronounced Life) will be at practice. practice:

writes.)

No decision has been made by rule changes which might restrict the Exchange Council on whether their performance in Liffe. How-

However, the Stock Exchange nowever, the Stock Exchange has already demonstrated its flexibility by allowing jobbers' overseas subsidiaries to act both as principals and agents within ir countries.

What the brokers have to decide

What the brokers have to decide in the next 10 days is whether they are prepared to risk the £30,000 now needed to buy one of the 400 dealing seats just 30 yards from their bsstion of separate capacity at the Corn Exchange.

The 25 firms who have already bought seats at the earlier and cheaper price of £20,000, even before Stock Exchange had considered their view, knew they were taking a risk. What the council has now said clearly is that anyone who wants to join them will do so on the same basis. But it is still arguable whether But it is still arguable whether membership of Liffe should carry a stock exchange health warning.

four hospitals are under construction or planned. Equity is needed for these

reflating the economy are in

my view likely to be disap-

at least be maintained - it was lifted 14 per cent this

year to 11.2 gross.

from rental income, will eering. continue to be expanded. But

has been open for a year and £3.4m against shareholders is profitable, and another funds of £4.6m and the group

investments, he said. equipment and stationery, Property development, technical and drawing office where Lovell earns some £1m services, printing and engin-

Some 400 houses at the top division which has a good

end of the market were built earnings track record and last year and the group aims produced the best set of

to increase its land stocks. profits last year. Results
Lovell is a market leader in yesterday for the year to
partnership housing with September showed a drop in
local authorities and further pre-tax profits to £296,000
developments are planned.

This state of the pre-tax profits are pre-tax profits to £296,000.

Sir Peter saw down by £2m at £37.9m.

Current year would be tough going but trading had started well. "Those who believe that the construction industry might be used as a vehicle for duced, at £933,000 compared duced, at £933,000 compared

pointed no matter what cogent arguments are raised in its favour," he said.

The group is forcasting that this year dividends will at least be maintained at lea

Sir Peter said the This was achieved on sales down by £2m at £37.9m.

with £1.3m.

Technical

currently unchanged yesterday at 37p.



Alan Sugar: market overcoming its prejudice

Hi-fi maker's soaring shares

to 205p comes less than a week concentrates on racked hi-fi sets, ahead of the balf year results. although there are plans to

Although the market in the shares is relatively thin, as directors hold about three-quarters of the issued capital, great things are expected. For the year to June 1981, Amstrad breached pretax profit

Amstrad Consumer Electronics, forecasts of about £1.9m with the hi-fi manufacturer of Totten-Demand is outstripping supply

This week's 25p rise in the price at the moment, he says. Amstrad

introduce the increasingly popular micro hi-fi systems. Lec looks

Another big seller has been citizens' band radios, where demand has settled since Christmas. Amstrad is the United Kingdom's biggest supplier.

One problem the company is slowly overcoming is institutional bias toward the shares. Market opinion initially suspected that Mr Sugar was a bright entrepreneur who took his company to market because it had run out of steam. However a proven ability to design products in demand has persuaded the stock market that Amstrad is a good longer-term

Mr Sugar's formula has been to produce United Kingdom-designed hi-fi equipment with components from the Far East, although CB sets are Japanese.
New products will make increas-

ing use of microchip technology and will expand the company's

No exports have been made to the Far East, nor are there plans for exports to North America. "It is not a good market, there is too much dumping of cheap Japanese he said. imports", he said.
A recovery has been staged in

exports to Europe. Demand in the home market has been so great that this is where the company has concentrated its efforts.

Amstrad has now entered the "close season" on sales and profit

forecasts. Next week's results should show a substantial increase in sales. On past performance, overhead costs have been under tight control. If this trend has been continued, half-year profits

good for growth

City opinion holds that Lec Refrigeration is one manufactur-ing company which has its priorities right (Drew Johnston writes). Expanded production has

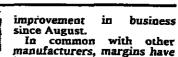
writes). Expanded production has been aimed at the big growth area in the domestic refrigeration market — fridge-freezers.

Let has a firm export base and is strong on after-sales service. It is also financially sound. An absence of balance sheet debt, an absence averge return on capital absence of balance sneet debt, an above averge return on capital employed and tight overall management control have made it an attractive growth stock in the household market.

This profile and a market capitalization of about £11m has also made it the subject of takeover speculation from time to takeover speculation from time to time. But a close famility and director shareholding of about 50 per cent of the issued capital, and the board presence of Mr David Purley, son of Mr Charles Purley, chairman and founder, makes a takeover bid an unlikely prospect in the medium term. in the medium term.
Going all out for volume growth at the expense of gross margins while in the middle of recession

calls for a strong nerve, but that is what has happened.
Profits have also been growing with pretax figures of £1.6m in

19790, £2.4m in 1980, and market expectations of £2.9m for 1981. The prospective dividend yield for 1981 is 5.0 and p/e is 5.3.



In common with other manufacturers, margins have been cut substantially, but although there has been a fall of about 80 in the 1,000 workforce, this has come from natural wastage and not large scale redundancies.

SAI

Tough trading

Despite increased fertilizer sales volumes and higher selling prices Scottish Agricultural Industries failed to overcome difficult market conditions during 1981, and profits before tax slipped from £4.5m to £4.1m in the year to December. Turnover rose 11 per cent to £102.18m. The dividend for

the year is being maintained at 21p per share with a 12.86p final. On a current cost basis, the group incurred a pretax loss of £473,000 against a profit the previous year of £188,000.

The group, which is 62.4 per cent owned by ICI, tried to improve production efficiency but this was not enough to offset higher costs.

The 1981 accounts include a charge of £300,000 for plant closure and redundancy costs largely offset by an exceptional credit of £200,030 in respect of local rates adjust-

Borrowings were approaching £7m by the year end, up from £6.3m the previous year, but these peak in December owing to the seasonal nature of fertilizer buying, and for part of the year the group has a net cash position. News of the results boos-

ted the share price 3p to 186p, where it yields 11.3 per cent and is approaching its 1981-82 high of 195p.



ber were 8.9 per cent higher than they were the The manufacturers' assignation said it was worried a the increase in sales of foreign cars, particularly West German, and a fall to French exports. It said this was due partly to new foriegn models and also no the difference between in-flation rates in France

BELGIUM

Germany.

ITALY

The Italian Government lowered petrol prices yested day by an average of 4.3 fee cent, because prices of many products are falling on interesting the cent.

national markets. This is the

second time petrol has been cut in price in 12 years.

• Fiat, Italy's leading the maker, said yesterday that is will lay off 40,000 car and

steel workers for one wisk next month and 60,000 werk

ers for another week in April because of the number of unsold cars. It has already made 60,000 men, half mover of the state of the workforce, idle for the weeks this year.

West Germany's industrial production in December dropped a seasonally

adjusted 2 per cent company

with November, but was to about 0.5 per cent from December, 1980, it was no announced yesterday. Orders were unchanged command with November but up 1.3 per cent for the year before.

Car sales in France 1912

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Japan will be unable to meet more demands after is recent "unique and unilateral concessions" to redress is trade surplus with the European Economic community; Mr Kunihko Saito, deputy head of ther Japanese mis-sion to the EEC, told a press. conference in Brussels."It is now up to the Europeans to take advantage of the new possibilities."

JAPAN

Japan's Finance Ministry has appointed a 12-member advisory group of bankers, traders, industrialists and academics to study ways to deal with developments in Japanese and overseas finalcial markets following en-forcement of the new foreign exchange control law in December 1980. The "sum group on basic international financial problems" will discuss the possibility of a Tokyo offshore dollar center merits and demerits of the floating exchange rate system and trade and financial friction between Japan and Western countries. **CANADA**

Canada will lend Can\$600m (£268m) to Canadian companies involved in the construction of the Soviet trans-European gas pipeline External affairs minister Mark Mac-Guihan said on Wednesday The loan, to be granted by the Economic Developm Corporation to several Canadian enterprises, will create 16,000 jobs.

WALL STREET

New York, Feb 4. — Prices opened lower in active trading. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 7.52 pts on Wed, was off 0.86 pt to 844.17 shortly after the market opened.

299 among the 1,026 issues crossing the tape. Early ing board volume amounted to about 2.49m shares.

pointing out that the company has succeeded in earning Genesco Gentala Pacific Getty Oli Gilliotte Alintic Richfield
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ham, has been riding high since since February last year when a its ordinary shares came to plant was opened at Southend. Mr market in April 1980. The offer Alan Sugar, aged 34, the chairprice of 85p was oversubscribed man, said the company plans to 10 times, and the shares have been by more land in the area for on an upward trend ever since another factory.
(Drew Johnston writes).

Demand is ou

is anxious to reduce the level further to channel funds into

its other businesses - office

But it is the bookselling

ticket holders into library books and distributes some

25 million books around the

world to liraries and educational centres. Mr A.

Edwards, its managing dir-

ector and chairman, will remain with the division.

activities.

£200,000

The group's shares were

laundry and cleaning of house-

hold upholstery fabrics.

Caravans International has sold

manufacturing business, for £315,000 cash. It was sold as

part of the group's reorganiza-

tion. Net profits of the sale

exceeded the net book value of

of the company's term loan.

Donald Macpherson Group has

acquired Briggs & Townsend

from Johnson & Firth Brown for total £1.8m cash to be paid over

of net assets as at December

CAPITAL MARKETS

Japanese underwriters: Four

Japanese issues, mostly con-vertible bonds, from disrupting

the market as they did last

\$250m (£134m) through a 13-year retractable floating-rate

note on the Eurobond market,

the lead manager, Samuel Montagu, reported in London

cent over a six-month London Interbank offered rates, the

issue can be retracted to eight

years at the investor's option if

Mr John Biffen, Secretary

capital and technology for

fence industry projects. He also urged South Korea to

increase imports of British-

Paying a margin of 1/4 per

September.

vesterday.

axable trading profits of Lilly-notice is given in 1985. Payment

Indianapolis, for \$1.75m cash of State for Trade, arrived in (£940,000). Annual sales are Seoul from Japan and said

\$3.6m and net asset value is Britain was ready to provide

Tuchman is the leading dry South Korea's subway, nu-eaner in Indianapolis, state clear power, steel and de-

jould for the year to April 30, is due on March 1.

acquired through their Johnson Group US Holding company the **S Korea**

BLUNDELL **Profits rise**

Blundell-Permoglaze Hold-ings, the building industry paintmaker and supplier, yesterday announced a rise in pretax profits to £2m from £1.8m last year. As the market had expected that the pressures of recession would imit profits to last year's level there was a 13p rise in the ordinary share price to 107p when the results were

Mr Robert White, chairman, said the improvement arose mainly from significant increases in exports. An exceptional order from one of the company's traditional Middle East markets played a leading part in the year's

'The industrial division has found the going particu-larly difficult in 1981. Its customers are of course all involved in manufacturing, the sector which has borne the main burden of the recession", he said.

Sales moved ahead to £25.7m from £23.7m, helped by trading at Federation Paints of Glasgow which Blundell bought for £600,000 in <u>J</u>uly.

Library Sale against market conditions, did rather better with only a small decline to £762,000 The year saw a volume decline of between 6 and 7 rell is pushing ahead in offer its bookselling division against £869,000. Losses in a leading supplier of the engineering division were library books around the £117,000 and printing profits per cent in the decorative paint market, equal to 150 million litres a year, which the company's performance reflected, Mr White said. But it managed to avoid the volume drop in the industrial paint market of between 16 and 17 per cent. Blundell's volume increase

One such project is the joint venture into developing private hospitals with Seltahart Holdings. The first hospital, Clare Park Clinic, here was about 8 per cent, but the market increase for export mopped in these volume falls. The company's newly-opened Dublin factory begane to produce waterbased paints during the year. its factory at Poole, Dorset, which formerly housed the Bluebird static holiday caravan Solvent-based paint pro-duction would begin by the end of the year, making the plant self-sufficient. Mr White also hinted that a European acquisition, most likely in Germany, was possible before next year

the property by some £300,000, to be used in a further reduction "There is very little importing of paint in industrialized countries, Most satisfy their own requirements. Factories have got to be close to where the paint is being sold." he said.

Earnings per ordinary share increased dramatically from 6.3p to 19.2p partly as a result of £266,000 tax credit.



Half year dividend has this has fallen to £162,000 been held at 2.28p gross per before tax in the 32 weeks to ordinary share, though total payout for the year is up from 6.85p to 8p gross.

Despite a continuing fall in man, notes the serious plight sales, Sonehill Holdings, the of the furniture industry, furniture manufacturer, has managed to do what many competitors have failed to do competitors have failed to do a profit, and reports that and stay in profit, although there has been a marginal

STONEHILL

Holding on

LATEST RESULTS

3	capture and storage of data to		LAILDI KI	FOULIS					
e 9	its retrieval and examination, as well as integrated systems for industrial, medical and military requirements.	companies' plans for Eurobond flotation in the second quarter this year to between \$1,100m	Company Int or Fin	Seigs Em	Profits Em	Earnings per share	Dev.	Pay date	Year lote
2	Braid Group has acquired T. Simister for £490,000 cash. Simister operates a Ford main dealer in Macclesfield. The book value of the net assets at	quarter, securities industries industry sources reported in Tokyo.	Blundell-P. (F) Glanfield Law (F) Lonsdale Univ (F) S.A.I. (F) Smith Bros (f) Stonehill (f)	25,7(23.7) 12.3(9.82) 37.9(39.9) 102.1(92.1†) 1,728(1,479) 9.93(10.92)	2.05(1.8) 0.13a(0.2a) 0.29(0.82) 4.13(4.44) 0.79s(1.4) 0.16(0.41)	19.2(6.3) 0.3(6.0a) 1.16(6.0) () 3.7a(7.0) 0.64(2.84)	1.6(1.6) —() 0.5() 9(9) 0.5(1) 2(4)	2/4 26/3 7(4)	5 6 -() 1(1.85) 14.7(14 (3.0) (8.5)
B T	December 31, amounted to £392,000 and the pretax profit for the year to August 31 was £84,500. The acquisition adds a second Ford main dealership to	Securities, Daiwa Securities and Yamaichi Securities made the	Dividends in this table are gross multiply the net divid	shown net of tex on pence and by 1,428. Profits are sh	per share. Esewhere in own prelax and earning 5.50-56.00.	a a d ner a = Loss.	lends are shown on a		

COMMODITIES COPPER was steadler: Afternoon.-Higher grade cash, £867-68; three months £896.50-97.50. Sales: 4,500 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £864-66 three months £893-94; Sales: nll tonnes. Morning: Higher grade cash, £864-65.00; three months £894-95.00. Settlement, £865.00. Sales 8.775 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £863-65.00; three months, £891-93.00. Settlement, £891-93.00. Settlement, £865.00. Sales 100 tonnes.

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tonne: three months £8040-50.
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£8040-50. Sales, nil tonnes,
Morning.-Standard cash £895060: three months £8020-30.
Settlement. £8960. Sales, 1,230
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Afternoon, — Cash £340-41 per tonne; three months £349-49.50. Sales. 2.700 tonnes.
Morning. — Cash £344-44.50; three months £353.50-54.00. Sales. 5.075 tonnes.

ZINC was steady. — Afternoon. — Cash £450-51 per tonne: three months £457-58. Sales. 5.225 tonnes. Morning. — Cash £450.50-51.00; three months

£455.50-56.00. Settlement. £451.00. Sales. 4,300 tonnes. PLATINUM was at £197.95 (\$369) a troy ounce. (\$369) a troy ounce.

SILVER was steadler. — Builion market (fixing levels). — Spot. 450.70p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent. 841.00); three months. 465.90p (872.40c); six months. 481.45p (904.20c); one year. 512.00p (965.90c). London Metal Exchange. — Afternoon. — Cash. 448.49p; throe months. 464-65.5p. Sales. 37 lots of 10:000 troy ounces each. Morning. — Cash. 448.49.0p. Sales. 36 lots.

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Afternoon. — Cash. £592-95 per tomer, three months £615-16. Sales. 1.900 tomers. Morning. — Cash £395-19.00; three grouths £618.50-19.00. Settlement. £396.00. Sales. 4.075

COCOA (£ per metric ton): Mch 1182-1184: May 1161-1162; Jly 1171-1172: Sep 1183-1185; Dec 1194-1196: Mch 1210-1214: May 1215-1223. Sales:

1.485 lols. ICCO prices: dally (Feb. 3). 93.86c; indicajor price. (Feb 4) 5-day average. 94.58 c. (US cents per lb.). 94.58 c. US cents per lb.).

SUGAR. — The London dally price of "raws £3.00 lower at £168: the "whites" price was unchanged at £175. Futures (£ per tonne): 174.00. May 177.177.50: Aug 179.85-180.75 Oct 183-184: Jan 184-185.50 Mch 188.20-188.50: May 190-191 Sales: 5.827 lots. ISA prices (Feb. 3): daily, 15.12 c; 15-day average. 15.13c. 13.13c.
SOYABEAN MEAL (2 per lonne): Feb 131-131.50; Apl 133.40-133.70; Jne 132.60-132.70 Aug 133-133.20; Oct 133.50-136.00; Dec 134-136.50; Feb 134-139; Sales: 166 lots.

November 8, against £419,000

last time.
Turnover slipped from £10.92m to £9.93m and dividend at the half year is cut

from 4p to 2p. Earnings per

share were 0.64p against

Mr Philip Steinberg, chair-

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Government money and occasionally honours — John De Lorean, Sir Michael Edwardes (BL), Sir Peter Parker (BR) and Lord Kearton of British National Oil Corporation tend to lose their city clour the moment they take the Queen's shilling.
Will Christophor Laidlaw (chairman) and Robb Wilmot

(managing director) of ICL, our leading computer maker,



stand out in this dismal crowd? Yesterday Mr Laidlaw and his right hand man met a gaggle of City institutions and stockbrokers, one lot in the morning and the other in the afternoon, to convince them that they, (and the group) had a future the group) had a future.

Mr Wilmot, one must remember is the City's best paid 36-year-old (£150,000 a year) with a Wimbledon house worth nearly £300,000 (why pick on Lord Grade or Ralph Halpern of Burton?). Moreover, the dynamic duo had the City's money men eating out of their hands at the end of an hour long

Briefy, ICL, recently the butt of a Government £200m rescue, is on target for around £30m of profits after 1980-81's £50m of losses, and many more deals like the one with Fujitsu of Japan are on the way. Promises, they say, are gifts for fools, and ones for idiots. Whatever, the duo yesterday told the City what it wanted to hear.

This may not be the moment to say so, but if you fancy your chances with Red Ken and Blue Maggie, why not call London Transport, where a successor to the embattled Sir Peter Masefield as £36,000 a year chairman of LT is being year chairman of L1 is being sought. Tyzack & Co, the headhunters. I hear, have been let off the leash and ordered to bring back somebody, preferably in his or her early 50s who from this March or so could take on one or possibly two five-year terms.

Life on the **Left Bank**

To the relief of the rather conservative staff of France's conservative start of France's second largest bank, Credit Lyonnais, their new chairman is Jean Deflassieux, aged 56, who for the last 10 ears has been in charge of the international department. There had been fears that the government might choose a Communist idealogue like Phillipe Herzog.

Deflassieux cooperated with the Left under his Resistance pseudonym Jean-Pierre Barel and he was largely responsible for preparing the Socialist Party's plan for the nationalization of the French banking sector. Credit Lyonnaise was nationalized just after the war and the government will merely take over the minority held by employees. Ironically, the employeeshareholders may now receive only 342F for their stock instead of 711F as accordingly promised. originally promised. Deflassieux takes over

from a close collaborator of former President Giscard D'Estaing, Claude Pierre-Brossolette.

Here endeth the third week of the new People column, and here beginneth a new editor. From Tuesday morning I shall be handing over to my colleague, Peter Wainwright, whom I shall commend to you. As for me, I shall be occupying this space on Mondays only with Inter-City. Business News's new regional column. See you Monday.

Ross Davies

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Mr Philip G. Ratcliff has bee appointed managing director of UTP Packaging Company He succeeds Mr Sidney A. Bailey who will continue in his capacity

been appointed a director of

appointed to the board of Low & Bonar as finance director.

Dr lain Anderson has been appointed chairman of the international fragrance and flavour company PPF which was formed by the recent merger of Pro-prietary Perfumes, Food industries and Bertrand Freros.

Ms Peter Samuel has been

appointed chairman of Samuel Properties. He succeeds Viscount Bearsted, who has retired. Mr Peter Paine, managing

director of Tyne Tees Television, and Mr Robert Phillis, managing Television have been appointed to vision News. Mr Neville Simms has been

appointed to the board of Tarmac

Mrs Georgina Andrews has Laboratory's original Vert-been appointed a director of S. Sign hardware used an ordi-simpson. Mrs Andrews has been a Simpson. Mrs Andrews has been a director of the retail subsidiary pressure-sensitive pad; writ- large and sometimes small, ing on it made electrical so the system would not contact between two mem- always challenge his identity. company: Simpson (Piccadilly) since January 1977.

Peter Wilson-Smith on the progress of proposals to reform London's insurance market

The Lloyd's Bill to bring up to date the archaic rules and procedures of the London insurance market where the rich and famous stake their fortunes, lurched another small step forward in its tortuous path through Parliament this week.

The Bill — which will modernize self-regulatory procedures dating back to the 1871 Lloyd's Act — has caused deep divisions among the 20,000 underwriting members of Lloyd's, among those who actually work in the market and among the Lloyd's broking community. Despite the intensive exam-

ination the Bill was subjected to by the House of Commons committee headed by the incisive Mr Michael Meacher, Labour MP for Oldham West, divisions still remain. But in face of delaying tactics by Conservative backbenchers on Wednesday night, the Bill looks set to continue on its course.

The motion to start the report stage of the Bill was finally carried without a division on Wednesday and providing more time is found for the Bill, which seems likely, the next stage will be to consider amendments. Although some 23 amendments were tabled the Speaker has whireled these down to ments were tabled the Speaker has whittled these down to two covering the main issues of legal "immunity" for the new ruling council and "divestment" — the clause which would force brokers to sell off their underwriting interests.
It seems that another two

three-hour sessions may be found to debate these two issues and Lloyd's itself remains confident. Mr Peter Miller, the Lloyd's committee member who has had the menviable task of trying to pilot the Bill through, said:
"We are confident that the Government will find further time to enable the examination of the amendments to be concluded and to allow the Bill to move to a third reading and then to the House of Lords."

Mr Miller feels the Bill could get the Royal Assent by mid-summer and remains adamant that Lloyd's has no intention of making any more compromises.

However the opponents of the Bill are still set on forcing through changes. Mr Malcolm Pearson, of Lloyd's broker Pearson Webb Springbett, has been campaigning fiercely to get the immunity clause removed from the Bill. Mr Pearson, who has been working closely with Conservative backbenchers, said yesterday that the battle would continue.

"The market is now against this Bill and I think it against this Bill and I think it is very foolish to blunder on with it", he said. Mr Pearson believes it is foolish of Lloyd's to include Clause 14, the immunity clause, when it risks bringing down the Bill, and he believes that Wednesdown day night's debate showed as

much.
"It showed that there are object strongly enough to Court judge Sir Henry Fisher Clause 14 to do everything examine and recommend on they can to frustrate the Bill," he says.

Certainly the possibility of the Tory backbenchers talk-ing the Bill out still cannot be discounted. They demon-strated on Wednesday night that they were capable of doing so although it seemed equally clear that the Bill's opponents did not want to kill it altogether.

TECHNOLOGY:

COMPUTER SECURITY

By Clive Cookson

From May, customers of the Nacional Financiale Bank will have to sign on an electronic pad before they withdraw money from any of the 50 branches in Mexico City. A microprocessor will

analyse each signature as it is written and make sure that it matches the customer's "ref-erence signature" stored in

the bank computer.

The Mexican trial will be

the world's first commercial application of electronic sig-

security precaution that is likely to become a common method of personal identification within a few years.

The verification system, known as Verisign, is sup-plied by a new British

tory, licensed through the British Technology Group. While a practiced forger

can produce a false signature

that looks virtually identical to the real thing, experiments

show that no one can imitate the speed and rhythm with which another person writes.

Therefore. Versisign measures not only shape — including the area of the signature, length of ink on

the paper, number of line crossings, up strokes and down strokes — but also the timing — such as speed and

acceleration, sequence of dotting Is and crossing Ts. The National Physical

Final hurdles for the Lloyd's Bill



Peter Green, Lloyd's chairman, amid the clamour

The one point on which this. The committee is pre-most in Parliament and those sently trying to expel Mr involved with Lloyd's agree, is that a Bill is urgently needed. It has become increasingly apparent in recent various scandals such as the Sasse affair, the troubles Moran Group, and the Savo-nita affair, that the powers of the Lloyd's committee are both inadequate and out-

A recent example involving the Christopher Moran' Group serves to illustrate

membership of the market the view of Michael Meacher for what it describes as acts is crucial to the Bill. "If "discreditable to him as an divestment were not included underwriter". Mr Wilson began in 1979 and only last be passed," he says.

The opposition to divestment were not included to the bill to be passed, he says. began in 1979 and only last be passed," he says.

month Lloyd's announced its findings.

The opposition to divestment, which was included at the insistence of the Com-

four-fifths vote of members him, and all this nearly three years after it first started investigating the issue.

Of the two main issues now sently trying to expel Mr surrounding the bill—imReid Wilson, a Lloyd's underwriter formerly connected latter was carefully examined with the Moran Group, from at the committee stage and in at the committee stage and in the view of Michael Meacher is crucial to the Bill. " If

mons Committee, has been spearheaded by the Alexand er Howden group, a Lloyd's broker with big underwriting

The story behind the Bill:

self-regulatory powers.

June 1980: Fisher Report is published and recommends wide ranging changes to bring the insurance market's procedures up to date, it urges setting up new ruling council for the market with underwriting agents by insurance brokers. Report includes a draft

day night's debate showed as much.

"It showed that there are seven to eight Tory MPs who object strongly enough to Clause 14 to do everything of the commend on its of the comm

Loyd's members vote for introduc-tion of Lloyd's bill based on Fisher Report proposals — excluding divestment. Names Association decides fight for changes in Bill.

non-working underwriting rep-resentatives, a wider range of committee headed by Mr Michael penalties and divestment of Meacher shocks Lloyd's by Meacher shocks Lloyd's by demanding both divestment and

Bank's electronic war on forgery

Signing in - technical manager Rod Beatson and secretary Susan Kennett

hundred binary digits, which may be stored in the memory of a central computer or on

the magnetic stripe of a credit or identity card.

in, he generates a new stream of digits which have to be

Whenever the user signs

almost identical to the refer-ence to be accepted. The 180 attempted forgeries were difference allowed between rejected during the experi-reference and actual signa-ment, said Mr Rod Beatson,

tures is set to accommodate the TSL technical manager.
variability of an individual's Of course, signature is not

variability of an individual's writing without accepting a forgery.

The bank or other owner of a Verisign system can automatically vary the rejection threshold to reflect the voice recognition. But Mr value of a transaction or the damage that false acceptance would cause. For example, is the most socially acceptante threshold would be very able method for institutions low for someone withdrawing that deal with the public.

The verification system, known as Verisign, is supplied by a new British has moved on to an "electromagnetic field detected by sensors in the pad. But this but unique writing features to make a reference signation of the section of

does not wear out so easily. When a new user — say, a bank customer — comes to Verisign for the first time, he

is asked to sign five times on the pad. The computer analy-

ses the shape and timing of

the signatures and, if there are unusual inconsistencies,

it automatically requests

some more. The samples are

processed to produce a

measures varies too much in a signature, the computer will not take that particular

feature into account in his

reference signature. For example, size would be dropped for someone whose signature was sometimes large and sometimes small,

reference signature.

rejects petition from Alexander Howden, a Lloyd's broker with extensive underwriting interests, to remove divestment clause from

Jan 1981: Opposition grows to Clause 14 which would give new ruling council of Lloyd's immunity from being sued for damages by members. Conservative back-benchers threaten to try to block

serious than handing the cash to a forger. And, of course, the rejected customer can be given the opportunity to prove his identity in another way. But for withdrawals of £100 the threshold could be raised considerably without much financial risk.

When a prototype Verisign terminal was used to protect access to Esso's IBM computer, it correctly authorised 580 users and rejected only four genuine signatures. All

more contentious issue. The Committee of Lloyd'd remains adamant that it must be included. It argues that without some form of immunity it would not be able to carry out its new regulatory duties properly.

The committee fears that if

it is to be able to take action against recalcitrant members it must be able to do so without fear that it will sued for damages should, for instance, a suspended mem-ber be prevented from working but ultimately cleared

Lloyd's believes that a newly formed council's effectiveness as a regulatory body would be greatly impaired without this kind of immun-ity although it has conceded that members should be able to sue for damages resulting from clerical error attributable to Lloyd's.

Further Lloyd's has argued that it is ultimately the members who make up the Lloyd's community who have to bear the losses if a member sues and this is inconsistent with the spirit of the market where members undertake the risk of losses "each for his own part and not one for another."

Opponents of immunity, however, fear that it would place Lloyd's above the law and point to the Sasse affair where the members of the where the members of the Sasse syndicate, which was suspended facing losses of more than £20m, sued Lloyd's claiming that market systems were at fault. A compromise deal was worked out under which the Lloyd's community footed the bill for more than £15m of the losses. The immunity clause has

already been modified during the course of the Bill through parliament, and the Meacher Committee rejected the original open-ended proposals which would have left it to the Lloyd's committee to draw up immunities under by-laws. Instead the Meacher Committee insisted that the immunities should be specifi-cally stated in the Bill.

However Lloyd's committee, says Mr Peter Miller, feels that it has inade enough compromises and it is not prepared to budge again. So as the Bill heads for the next stage the behind the concerned meetings and lobbying scenes meetings and lobbying continue aimid bluff and counter-bluff from those trying to push it through and those trying to prevent it those who feel the Bill is all or partly along the right lines and those who feel that any new Bill will only tend to stultify the freedom of the

tarket. If the Bill does reach the statute books there is still no guarantee that a new Lloyd's council will use its new found powers effectively. But, if the Bill does not the

asking too much to expect total agreement from any institution with 20,000 members, there is little doubt that the reputation of Lloyd's has not been enhanced by the squabbling and disagreement which has surfaced during the last few years. There are many in the market who will breathe a sigh of relief when the battle over the Bill has been finally resolved.

A signature is a traditional guarantee of one's identity, and bank customers find it natural to sign for money. Speaking into a voice recognition machine would not come so easily, Mr Law

maintains.
TSL was the first comme TSL was the first commercial enterprise to take up the National Physical Laboratory's Verisign technology. Next will be Quest Automation, which is incorporating it under the name Q Sign in an existing product called Micronad

Micropad.
Micropad is a terminal that
converts hand written letters
and numbers into electronic code for entry into a com-puter. It will be available with Q Sign in the second half of this year. The company is also developing Q. Sign as an independent device, for physical access to secure areas or for entry to computers.

the United States are also working on signature verifi-cation. The leader of the American pack is probably. Sycon of California, which has taken up technology developed by the Stanford Research Institute. But Bristians. toin still seems to have the lead.

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Business Editor

Borrowing on course

After the overshoots of the past couple of years it look as if the government's original estimate for the public sector borrowing requirement (£10,600m) will requirement (£10,600m) will prove rather closer to the mark this time round. Not, as we shready know, that the government is fully on top of its spending fargets this year, but the day seems set to be sayed by revenue proving rather, more buoyant than expected.

For the first nine months For the first nine months the PSBR comes out at just

over E9.700m a figure inflated by about £3.000m as a result of the civil servants' discuption of tax revenue last year. Of the £3,000m itself, £500m or so relates to additional interest charges sustained as a result of the delay in receiving tax revenue, and the remainder to revenue still owing.

The last quarter is never that easy to predict, largely because of uncertainties relating to local authoritis and public corporations. This year, for instance, the full year local authority borrowing requirement authorities remain roughly in balance.

When the Chancellor When the Chancellor comes to present his Budget he will not, of course, know the likey full year outcome with total precision. That may be just as well, For though some analysts still expect the full year figure to overshoot marginally, others are now looking for an undershoot Presentationally, it would be far more convenient for the more convenient for the Chancellor to be able to announce tax cuts and show

Oil taxation Change needed

out his strategy on March 9.

With little more than a month to go to the Budget, there are two things that the Chancellor of the Exchequer has to decide about the current North sea oil taxation regime. One is whether the overall hurden whether the overall hurden of taxation is too high. The other is whether the whole fiscal system is in need of a thorough overhaul, to take account of the changed circumstances since the North Sea first came on stream six and a half years ago.

much easier to answer than the first. Even the most ardent critic of the oil industry is unable to deny But, if the Bill does not me issue of regulation at Lloyd's industry is unable to usual industry is unable to usua revenue in corportion tax) is .- choosing one's words is choosing one's words with care outdated, inequitable, anomalous and inefficient. The great merit of the latest oil tax submission, from two academics at Aberdeen University, is that it has spelled out cooly, and without partiality, just how anachtonistic the present regime has become. has become.

It is clearly abourd, for example, that the tax regime should make it more profitable for an oil company. with one major field under its belt to develop a nearby "satellite/discovery" as a separate (and therefore more expensive) operation when it could be more chesply developed by being ried into the existing production farilities. Yet that is what the current tax resime, in several instances. regime, in several instances, effectively encourages.
The truth is that the oil

price explosion during 1979 and 1980 has rendered the and 1980 has rendered the original. North Sea tax strangements obsolete. Last year's temporary expedient of a crude tax on revenue, the Special Petroleum duty, was acknowledged by the Chancellor to be a less than perfect attempt to cream off some of the windfall profits generated by the oil price rises.

generated by the oil price rises.

If the Chancellor can persuade the Inland Revenue to carry out the necessary work in time, there is no question that he should scrap the existing

cumbersome system and replace it with a single Only then can he ensure that the nation (as represented by the taxpayer) is collecting the maximum economic rent from the North Sea. The Institute of Fiscal Studies, and now the Aberdeen University team, way towards meeting these ends — without endanger-ing the amount of revenue the Treasury receives from the North Sea.

Is it too much to hope that these ideas can be that these ideas can be pursued? This year, prob-ably, yes. Despite the cries of "wolf" from the oil companies, there is little that the oil companies are that the on companies we paying more, en masse, than they can afford or are willing to pay — for the right to exploit our offshore oil reserves. If they are (and there was no one more convinced last year that they were not than Mr Nigel Lawson, then a Treasury minister and now Energy

German steel Re-alignment

The deal announced yesterday between Krupp Stahl and Estel Hoesch represents a major recon-struction of the alling West the companies' bulk steel interests does not go as far as the Bonn government would have wished. The government wanted to put together Krupp, Hoesch and the publicly owned Salzgeit

However, the new Ruhr-stahl will become the second largest steel pro-ducer, just behind Thyssen, making about 12 million metric tonnes a year. The merger is, of course, defensive. The industry has been hit by plummeting demand especially from the construction industry, and West German steel-makers West German steel-makers continually complain at the large subsidies poured by the British and French governments into their competing industries. Thyseen's world-wide steel interfers large fill 7m last year sen's world-wide steel interests lost £1.7m last year after a £25m profit previously. Losses have continued into the first quarter this year and a £100m plus rights issue is planned. In 1981, Thyssen iost £13 on every tonne of steel produced. A price rise of £12 per tonne should help Thyssen into the black while the merger will estab-lish a fitter, leaner group for the challenges of recession and subsidised

Anyone reading doom for the jobbing system in the pretax loss reported by Smith Bros yesterday is being premature even though drustic restructuring is currently being contem-plated by many sections of the City. In its latest trading period Smith was caught by the switching of institutional attention to overseas mar-kets and to interest rates. Landon equities were out of fushion. Also Smith is fashion: Also Smith is particularly associated with South African gold shares, another poor market, and the period took in last September's "Black Monday" when the index plummeted and then recovered

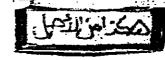
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meted and then recovered equally sharply.
Just to show that the conditions in the first half of the year were unusual Smith has only cut the dividend by half. Conditions so far in the second half are much improved, though it is too early to say if the dividend could be restored at the year end.
The half-year loss is not large in terms of the group's balance sheet. But the sort of scare given by "Black Monday" and the cost of running books with the continuing high tevel of interest rates does not help jobbers run books that allow

jobbers run books that allow for healthy markets.

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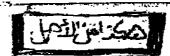




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Law Report February 5 1982 House of Lords

Award over frustrated oil deal upheld

Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord Diplock, Lord Keith of Kinkel,

Lord Scarman and Lord Brandon f Oakbrook [Speeches delivered February 4] The House of Lords, in what Reform (Frustrated Contracts)
Act 1943, held that where one party to a contract made in 1960 involving an oil concession in Libya, had obtained a valuable benefit from the substantant benefit from the other party hefore the contract was frus-trated by the political acts of the revolutionary Libyan government in 1971, the party conferring the henefit could apply under section 1(3) of the 1943. Act for recovery from the court and be awarded

such sum representing the value of the henefit as the court considered just. Section 1(3) of the 1943 Act Section 1/31 of the 1943 Act provides: "Where any party to the contract has, by reason of anything done by any other party thereto in, or for the purpose of, the performance of the contract, obtained a valuable benefit... before the time of discharge, there shall be recoverable from the the code as the contract of the time of discharge, there shall be recoverable from the the code as the contract of the code as him by the said other party such sum (if any), not exceeding the value of the said benefit to the party obtaining it, as the court remediers inst.

By section 2(3): "Where any contract to which this Act applies contains any provision which, upon the true construction of the contract, is intended to have effect in the event of circumstances arising which operate, or would but for the said provision operate, to frustrate the contract, or is intended to have effect whether such circumstances arise or not, the court shall give effect to the said provision and shall only give effect to the foregoing section of this Act to such extent, if any, as appears to the court to be consistent with the said provision".

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, Mr Nicholas Lyell, QC and Mr Peregrin Simon for Mr Hunt; Mr Kenneth Rokison, QC, Mr Iain Milligan and Mr R. G. Wood for

LORD BRANDON said that in May 1975, BP began an action in the Commercial Court alteguigh that a contract governed by English law, made between Hunt and BP in 1960 for the sharing on a non-partnership basis of an oil the farm-in agreement was concluded, it was not and county and the BP-or Hunt. against Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt in the Commercial Court alleging

brights have action to be by Mr Justice Robert Goff over 57 days in 1977 and 1978. He gave two reserved judgments (1979) 1 WLR 783) on the basis of which built a pipeline to carry oil from the basis of which the built appeline to carry oil from the basis of which the built appeline to carry oil from the basis of which the built appeline to carry oil from the built appeline to ca WLR 783) on the basis of which he made an order for the payment by Hunt to BP of (a) a principal sum of US \$10,801,534 under section 1(3) of the 1943 Act, with interest thereon from June 14, 1974 of US \$4,774,289; In June 1967 BP and Hunt he made an order for the payment by Hunt to BP of (a) a principal sum of US \$10,801,534 also a sea terminal at which under section 1(3) of the 1943 Act, with interest thereon from June 14, 1974 of US \$4,774,289; and (b) a further principal sum of £5,666,399, with interest thereon from the same date of £3,060,219. The Court of Appeal dismissed both Hunt's apeal and BP's cross appeal against the judge's order and refused leave to present a rate of £3,060,219. appeal against the judge's order and refused leave to present a petition of appeal to the House. Leave for Hunt to appeal was, however, given by the appeal committee, no doubt in part at least because this appeared to have been the first contested case under the 1943 Act since it came into force.

The grounds of appeal to the House were limited to two points. The first important one was that having regard to the terms of the complaints against BP itself. By

having regard to the terms of the complaints against BP itself. By contract between the parties and that date BP had received from

prisoner had committed repeated offences against prison discipline it did not have to be shown that he had repeated the same offence. It was sufficient that he

was a persistent offender who had committed a variety of offences, Mr Justice Forbes held

wiffences, Mr Justice Forbes held when refusing an application for judicial review by way of certiorari to quash a decision of the Board of Visitors of Dartmoor Prison made on August 24, 1981 on the ground, inter alia, at it had no power to adjudicate the offence charged.

The applicant in person; Mr

MR JUSTICE FORBES said

that at the time he was charged. the applicant was serving a four-vear sentence for drug offences.

ltis prison performance was appalling and he had managed to collect 249 days loss of remission

for a variety of offences.
Following a scuffle on August
17. 1981. the applicant was
charged with assaulting a fellow
prisoner. The matter came before
the prison governor who referred
it to the board of visitors under

Christopher Symons for the board of visitors.

BP Exploration Co (Libya) Ltd the circumstances surrounding v Hunt is making, the judge was wrong to order Hunt to pay BP under the 1943 Act any principal sum at

The second subsidiary point was whether if the judge was right to order Hunt to pay the principal sums under the 1943 Act, he was wrong to order also the payment of interest on those sums, either at all or in any case from a date as early as June 14, 1974.

1974.

The facts relevant to the appeal were that in December 1957, the Libyan-government granted Hunt a concession, to explore for oil in, and extract any oil found from a specified area of the Libyan desert, for a period of 50 years; and drilling for oil was required to be begun within three years.

In June 1960, Hunt, who did In June 1960, Hunt, who did not possess the resources and experience necessary to explore and develop the concession himself, concluded what was known in the oil industry as a "farm-in" agreement with BP, who did it consisted of two documents — "the letter agreement" and "the operating agreement".

The main terms of the contract were, first, that Hunt was to assign to BP, subject to the Libyan government's consent, a half share in his concession.

Second, BP was to explore,

Second. BP was to explore, develop and operate the whole concession entirely from its own resources and at its own expense. Third, BP was to make Hunt by July 1, 1960, a farm-in payment of US\$2m.

Fourth, BP was to make available to Hunt over four years a quantity of four million barrels of specified frantan oil.

a quantity of four million barrels of specified Iranian oil.

Fifth, if and when the concession, following BP's exploration and development, produced oil available at a seaboard terminal in commercially worthwhile quantities the operating expenses were thereafter to be shared equally by BP and Hunt. Sixth, if and when the concession came on stream, BP was to receive thereafter, in the form of three-eighths of the half share of the oil to which Hunt would be entitled, full reimbursement plus 25 per cent, based on the current value of such oil, in respect of the beuefits conferred by BP on Hunt under the second, third and fourth terms above.

His Lordship had used the expression "if and when" for the good reason that in 1960 when and BP in 1960 for the small and a non-partnership basis of an oil concession granted to Hunt in Libya, had been frustrated as a result of the expropriation by the Libyan government of BP's share in the concession, and claimed against Hunt, inter alia, such sum as the court might consider just under section 1(3) of the 1943 Act.

The contract was governed by The contract was governed by Hunt.

The applicant contended that

Repeated offences can

be different

Regina v Board of Visitors
Dartmoor Prison, Ex parte
Seray-Wurie
Before Mr Justice Forbes
[Judgment delivered February 4]
In considering whether a prisoner had committed repeated offences against discipline for which the governor's powers of punishment seemed insufficient, the governor could refer the charge to the board of visitors.

Cession.

Both BP and Hunt obtained compensation from the Libyan government for the expropriation of their respective shares in the concession, but the amount was unrealistically low in each case. unrealistically low in each case.

It was not now in dispute that the farm-in agreement of July 1960, was frustrated by the Libyan government's expropriation of BP's half share in the concession. It followed, since the agreement was governed by English law, that the rights and liabilities of the parties following such frustration depended on the application of the relevant provisions and in particular section 1 and section 2(3) of the 1943 Act to the particular circumstances of the case.

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circumstances of the case.
The main point for Hunt was The main point for Hunt was that, having regard to the express terms of the contract, and the surrounding-circumstances to the making of it, the judge was wrong to order Hunt to pay to BP any principal sums under section 1 of the Act at all.

The argument for Hunt was that on the true construction of the contract, it was the intention of the parties when the contract

the contract, it was the intention of the parties when the contract was made in 1960 that Hunt should be relieved of, and BP saddled with, both the physical risk of failure of the combined adventure, and also with the political risk of failure which in fact materialized, namely, the risk of BP's half share being expropriated by the Libyan government.

There were also legal sub-There were also legal sub-

missions based on the Act against the order made by the judge and it was said that the intention of it was said that the intention of the parties with regard to the incidence of risks, whether physical or political, led irresistibly to the conclusion that it would not be just for the court to order the recovery of any sum by the party who had conferred a benefit, namely BP, from the other party who had received such benefit, namely, Hunt.

such benefit, namely, Hunt.

That argument had a fatal defect in it, namely, that there was nothing in the terms of the contract between the parties, or in the circumstances surrounding the making of it as found by the judge, to indicate, either expressly or by necessary implication, that the parties, when they made the contract in 1960, had in contemplation political risks, such as the expropriation of the concession in whole or in part by the Libyan government which would operate to frustrate the contract, or that, baving had such risks in contemplation, they included in the contract any

and so as to make it inconsistent and so as to make it inconsistent, with those provisions to order than to make any payment to BP in respect of the benefits received by him from BP prior to the construction of the construction.

Hunt, by way of reimbursement:

Nor could his Lordship see any good reason why, on the footing on him by BP prior to the concession coming on stream, to have had in contemplation the frustration of the contract by the materialization of the contract by the materialization of the political government expropriated Hunt's half share of the concession also. Between December 7, 1971 when BP's half share was expropriated, and June 11, 1973, when Hunt's half share suffered the same fate, Hunt had obtained 74 million barrels of oil from the concession.

Both BP and Hupt obtained 74 multimust be rejected.

On the second question

Hunt must be rejected.

On the second question whether the judge was right to order the payment of interest on the principal sums awarded under the 1943 Act at all, and if so whether he was right to order such interest to run from a date as early as June 14, 1974, the court's power to order the payment of interest on principal sums was conferred by section 3(1) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1934. It was submitted for flunt that sums recoverable under the 1943 Act were of a very special Act were of a very special character indeed, and did not come within the expression "any debt or damages" as used in section 3(1) of the 1934 Act.

His Lordship did not accept that submission. The words "any debt or damages," in their context, were very wide, so that they covered any sum of money recoverable by one party from another, either at common law or in equity or under a statute of the kind here concerned. Accord-ingly the judge had power to order the payment of interest on the principal sums awarded by him.

him.

As to the date from which interest was ordered to run, the argument for Hunt was that as he could not know the amounts of principal recoverable until they had been assessed by the trial judge, the judge should not have awarded interest from any date earlier than June 30, 1978, the date on which he delivered his first and main judgment.

His Lordship could not accept His Lordship could not accept that either. The date on which BP's cause of action arose was December 7, 1971, when the contract between the parties was frustrated by the expropriation. Under section 3(1) of the 1934 Act, the judge had power to award interest on the principal sums he awarded from any such date, from December 7, 1971, onwards, as he in the exercise of his judicial descretion considered just.

Just.

The reason why he decided on June 14, 1974, was that on his findings of fact it was on that date that Hunt first became fully aware of BP's intention to bring a claim against him. That was a proper reason.

It was in his Lordship's view clear that there could not be any

clear that there could not be any general rule that, whenever the amount of any debt or damages payable by one party to an action to the other could not be ascertained until judgment was given, the court should never, in the exercise of its discretion, award interest from a date earlier than the date of such judgment. To apply such a rule would be plainly inconsistent with the express terms of section 3(1) and

in many cases, for instance in the case of a claim in a quantum meruit, work serious injustice on a successful plaintiff. On that point too the case for Hunt

Lord Wilberforce, Lord Diplock, Lord Keith and Lord Scarman agreed. Solicitors: Theodore Goddard & Co; Linklaters & Paines.

When judicial review is better than writ

Irlam Brick Co Ltd v Warrington Borough Council Before Mr Justice Woolf

I Judgment delivered February 3 when declarations were sought against the conduct of a public body, so that persons beyond the immediate parties were affected, proceedings should be brought by way of judicial review under Order 53 of the Rules of the Supreme Court rather than by writ, Mr Justice Woolf said in the Orden's Bench Division. His Lordship refused to grant declarations sought by the plaintiffs, the Irlam Brick Co Ltd, against the defendants, Warrington Borough Council, that planning notices were invalid and said that in construing planning conditions the whole document, including the reasons for those conditions, had to be examined.

Sir Derek Walker-Smith, QC and Mr A. J. C. Hogget for the plaintiffs; Mr Nigel MacLeod, QC, and Mr C. Lockhart-Mummery for the defendants.

MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that the local plan the including was no longer permitted. It was agreed the plaintiff had ceased working more than 10 years previously.

His Lordship held that the council to a notice. The condition was intended to permit the council to metal the later and not expendent and not working having ceased.

In 1964 the last clay was extracted from the land in question. In 1977 a survey pursuant to the preparation of the local plan identified the land as having an ecological significance and as being worthy of conservation for recreational purposes. The plan was later adopted and became operative.

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However, the point of the rule was that there might come a time when the governor regarded his powers of punishment inad-equate. That could be because the offence was a serious one or because the prison record of the prisoner showed that he had committed repeated offences against prison discipline and the declarations relating to planning permission granted by the predecessors of Warrington Borough Council and to notices time had come for a more sharp

time had come for a more sharp punishment.

Although the applicant had never been convicted of an offence involving assault, the governor took the view that a prisoner with 249 days loss of remission was one of the cases where his powers of punishment were insufficient it could not be said that the governor was acting said that the governor was acting unfairly and the application was

rule 51(2) of the Prison Rules (SI Solicitor: Treasury Solicitor.

that such working be filled in that such working be filled in within a reasonable time, and reserved to the planning authority the right to reconsider their approval if reinstatement had not occurred within 10 years of the working having ceased.

In 1964 the last clay was extracted from the land in question. In 1977 a survey pursuant to the preparation of

The applicant contended that the offence with which he was charged was neither serious nor repeated in that he had never been convicted of an offence of assault, and accordingly the governor had acted ultra vires in referring it to the board of visitors. MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that the Irlam Brick Co, who had proceeded by writ, were seeking

> served by the council. His Lordship said that simply because a dispute of fact was involved did not mean that the Order S3 procedure was not suitable. There were safeguards whereby the court could order discovery or cross-examination if it was in the interests of justice

Applications to be prompt

Mr Justice Walton pointed out in the Chancery Division on February 4 that applications must be made promptly after a chancery muster's order has been perfected.

HIS LORDSHIP, on hearing a motion by the plaintiff for an order to set aside the order of Master Heward of October 6, 1981 that the costs of the

Boyle and Others v Gooch and plaintiffs and defendents should Another come out of the estate of the ed and in due course of deceased and in due course of administration, and that, in lieu, the defendants should pay all costs, drew the attention of counsel to paragraph 20/11/4 "Orders in Chambers" being a note to Order 20 rule 11 "Amendment of judgment and orders" of the Rules of the Supreme Court. The normal time for the application was 14 days. Accordingly his Lordship dis-missed the motion with costs.

Indian tour exposes England's frailty for Australia next winter

From Richard Streeton Kanpur, Feb 4

The suddest fact about England's unrewarding visit to India during the past three months has been that so many problems still need to be resolved before next winter's Australian tour. winer's Australian tour.

Seven or eight of | Fletcher's side could have no part to play in defending the Ashes. England's bowling is a particular worry. This aspect far transcends the I—0 defeat by India in the Test series, disappointing though this was.

this was.

England failed in the Test series because of one abject batting performance that cost them the first Test match in Bombay. Those two fatal hours that Eng-land's second imings lasted set the tone for the rest of the text the tone for the rest of the tour.

India then sat on their lead for
the remaining five matches,
which was not too hard to do on
over-prepared pitches which left
the bowlers innocuous.

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Remembering, also, the lamentable over rates that barely reached 13 an hour, at is possible that this may be tranked the dullest series since the administrators, in their capacity for profit, decreed that six Tests rather than five should become the norm.

Fortunately, there twere several moments of good cricket during the first four days of each successive draw and the marches were not quite as dreadful to watch as they must have been to follow at long range.

None of this, however, should disguise the harsh, reality that India proved themselves the better team. In their last four home series since 1978-79, India have now beaten West Indies, Australia, Pakistan and England, They still lack a truly fast bowler, but otherwise are; remarkably wall engineers. but otherwise are; remarkably well-equipped in all facets-batting down to No 10 not the

batting down to No 10 not the least of them.

Meanwhile, it is a moot point whether England would have been better served on this tour in several cases by younger players. There were several players in India this, winter whose best achievements: lay behind them rather than ahead.

It was predictable that Fletcher, recalled after a five-year gap, should lean towards experience. However, there is much less time for the considerable rebuilding that has to be done this summer by Peter May, the lnew chairman by Peter May, the lnew chairman of selectors, and his colleagues. of selectors, and his colleagues.

In the absence of contenders from the younger school, Fletcher was a sound choice for the captaincy and be certainly deserves to retain the post for the first half of the coming summer. He may yet take; England to Australia, but in the continued absence of England captaincy material among the county captains, England must think seriously about grooming one of the established England players for the role. If this were done, I think Gooch would be the front runner. Were Barclay or Cook to justify a place in the England team it might be a different matter.



could not be criticized and he handled the side ably in the field; he might have been a field; he might have been a shade more assertive off it. It was also a pity that Fletcher seemed less able than most to accept the sundry umpiring disappointments the team encountered. The main criticism that could be made of Fletcher was that he tended to hold to preconceived notions too long and that at times he was too cautious. It was a trait reflected by the It was a trait reflected by the sides packed with batting that England often chose, his reluct-ance to use his slow bowlers, and once or twice in the timing of

once or twice in the timing of declarations.

Fletcher's original beliefs that speed and seam would decide the series were proved wrong, partly due to the lifeless pitches and partly because those chosen to do the work were not good enough at this stage of their content. careers. Willis ran in with all his old frenzied determination, but he bowled too many balls that could be left alone. Lever only rarely could find his ability to bring the ball back into the basemen.

There must now be doubts after this tour whether Dilley is going to develop. Allott usually bowled the best line but his assets were only belatedly recog-nized by the tour selectors. Also he was unfortunate with dropped catches at Madras and he missed the last Test because of sickness. Underwood could not always contain batsmen on perfect wickteam it might be a different ets with his old mastery and Emburey's contribution was less Fletcher's own form and close significant than had been hoped.

Among the batsmen, Gooch overcame a wretched start and played some telling innings, and Tavaré more than continued the promising start he made against Australia. It will be interesting to see if Tavare is asked by England to continue as an opening batsman. Gooch and Tavare ing batsman. Gooch and Tavaré have all the necessary contrast as an opening pair and with Allan Lamb now qualified for England, there are almost too many candidates for Englands No 3, 4 and 5 positions.

Gower duifully got his head down through a really sizable score eluded him. Gatting had a successful tour in every respect, and his figures on the big occasions fail to reflect the circumstances in which he usually batted. Cook began the tour well but the kinerary allowed him few chances later. England were also well served by the wicketkeepers. Only Botham remains to be

Only Botham remains to be mentioned. The extent to which England continue to rely on his efforts with both bat and ball was almost frightening. His commitment and capacity for hard work were never missing. As a cloak of responsibility and returns home an even better player than when he left.

Finally, a word about umpiring. I believe England were

wrong to make an issue about the umpiring standards. There was a suspicion of arrogance and some England players failed to acknowledge the extent India had acknowledge the extent finds had often outplayed them. Their attitude to the umpiring did not take cogniscence that officials if erratic, were certainly not biased.

Australia lead

in youth series

Devonport, Australia.—By heating Pakistan by 66 runs Australia took a 1—0 lead in an under-19

international series in Tasmania. The teams are playing two limited-over matches of 50 overs

Something to savour for vultures and Kapil

From Richard Streeton Kanpur, Feb 4

A century by Kapil Dev in 81 balls, one of the thalf dozen or so fastest in Test match history, made the final day of the sixth Test eminently more watchable here than was expected. There was, of course, no pressure on Kapil Dev but England rightly paid him the respect of bowling and fielding with full commitment.

ment.

It was an innings marked by marvellous power and clean striking of the ball and could also be regarded as a final, celebratory salvo as India's 1—0 victory was inked over in the record books. It was first entered in pencil last December in Bombay and has been inevitable ever since.

A full house, of some 50,000. A full house, of some 50,000, was present to enjoy the closing rites as England were officially baulked of success in a Test rubber for the fourth time in their last five tours to this country. For a man who never misses the chance to stress that he is a bowler and that batting merely goes with the job, Kapil Dev punished everything with a certainty and freedom from error that was remarkable.

He reached 100 with a six and 14 fours and did not give a

14 fours and did not give a chance. Morning fog prevented play before hunch and swelled the rotal time lost in this game to almost 10 hours. When play did start, aggressive bowling by Willis ensured that the cricket was not as dead as it might have seemed to a flock of vultures houseling not far above. hovering not far above
England had a new ball
straightsway—though it only
lasted five overs before having to be changed for another—and Walds, typically, put his heart and soul into its use. Viswanath square-cut the day's first ball for four, gave cover point a catch from the third, attempting the same stroke; then Malbotra was leg-before to the sixth. When Willis had Shastri caught behind, his first 21 balls had brought

him three for seven.

But Yashpal Sharma, who stayed in all for three hours, was not to be moved and Kapil Dev, having shaken off the effects of a blow on the left elbow from Willis, soon began to hit force-

ENGLAND: First Innings: 378 for nine declared (I T Botham 142. D I Gower SS. G A Gooch SS: D R Doshi 4 for SI).

S M Gavaskar, run out ... 52 PROys Botham 15 PROys Proyseration 15 PROYSER 15 PROY

Cautious Australian selectors belie a myth

Bowling

internati

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Adelaide, Feb 4

Never believe if when you are games.

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Where they had the chance of between Pascoe, who is 31, and the business. For some years now Ritchie of Queensland or Boon of they have shown a marked reluctions. The control of they have shown a marked reluction of the pasco of

tance to blood new players. There was further evidence of this here today when they announced the Australian batting

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J Dyson 2 4

K J Hughes 3 6

B M Laird 3 6

R W Mood 3 6

R W Marsh 3 5

B Yardley 3 5

G S Chappell 3 6

J R Thomson 2 3

T M Alderman 2 3

D K Lillee 3 5

ALSO BATTED: G F Lawson, 2

D MacD Wellham 12, 2.

Bowling D K Lilles B Yardley J R Thomson T M Alderman

His Lordship held that the council was entitled to serve such a notice. The condition was intended to permit the council to prevent further tipping, and that did not derogate from rights under regularity. did not derogate from rights under permission previously granted without compensation.

In construing such a condition, one must have regard to the document granting the permission as a whole, and that extended also to the reasons for such conditions which the planning authority were required by statute to state. They could be looked at as an aid to construe. looked at as an aid to construc-tion, but that did not elevate them to conditions themselves,

the was in the interests of justice to do so:

The Order 53 procedure led to more judicious disposal of the case, it saved costs, and it had the safeguard that from the time of the application for leave to bring the proceedings until their conclusion, they were under the supervision of a judge.

In this case, the plaintiff contended that the actions of the council which were purportedly under a condition contained in planning permission granted on February 5, 1948 for the excavation of clay, were unlawful by reason either that the condition was invalid, or that it had been misinterpreted by the connect.

That rule was of general application and did not apply only where there was an ambiguity in any specific condition, which was not the case here. It was clear that the condition was to ensure that the condition was to ensure that the planning permission granted on February 5, 1948 for the excavation of clay, were unlawful to reconsider the matter of restoration of the land after a substantial time, and to take such action as they deemed appropriate.

Solicitors: Ashurst Morris

council.

The condition required that the plaintiff made the workings & Co, Manchester; Sharpe, available as a tip when the pritchard & Co for Mr H. G. extraction of clay had ceased, Cartwright, Warrington.

beyond our imagination By Hilary Cawthorne The start of the international

proved, and integnational honours are not beyond the bounds of imaeination.

men's foil, ladies' foil, epec and sabre (the last two for men only)

has chosen a training squad from which the national teams will be selected mest June: weapon for the Commonwealth championships in Barn-staple, and five at each weapon for the world championships in Rome.

Linda Martin will be defending her title this weekend at the de Beaumont competition in London,

Bruniges, Close behind will be Pierre be competing for a place in the British team. Further inter-national events this season will take place in Paris, Bonn and

The epee team, the best placed

of our four squads in the world rankings, will shortly be off to Paris, Legnano, Berne and Heidenheim, as well as competing in Britain's only A grade event. the Martini competition in All eyes will be on Steve Paul, in the hope that he will be able to retain his title in the face of

strong opposition. Neil Mallett and Steve Roose, fresh from their success in the A grade Budapest event last mouth are also ex-pected to do well.

13 who will be going to New brought back Bright, who has (strained groin) are all included, Ecaland next Wednesday to play seldom failed, when given the though Lillee is to have a medical three Test matches, three one-day chance, to show that he is not a tomorrow. As the Australian when stiffing speculation Chappell retains the captaincy. Hughes continues as vice-captain ahead of Marsh. Alderman, out of action for the last month with torn liga-ments in a foot, is back. When Marsh needs a break Dyson will Tasmania they have stayed with Dyson; where they might have match which finished yesterday picked Sleep, a 24-year-old South Australian all-rounder, they have Hughes (broken toe) and Lillee keep wicket.

Australia's century-maker The Oval last summer, the 22-year-old Dirk Weliham, has been dropped even from the New South Wales team. Of the 13 chosen, seven are over 31, including four of the bowlers. For what it matters any more, seven of the 13 were with World Series

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INFORMATION 1 Lowedge; J Thomdistricts (Bamilton): Feb 17, One-day
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Second Test (Auckland): March 1923, Third Test (Christichurch).

England in final

with Australia

Christchurch, Feb 4.—England and Australia, the defending champions, who will mer in the final of the women's World Cupon Sunday, both recorded victories as the qualifying matches continued here roday.

ENGLAND: 242 for 4 (S Goatman S). R Filmt 61 not out). 60 overs, international XI: 129 for 7 (L Thomas

West Indian yearning

Clive Lloyd, the captain, who is now 37 and a veteran of 85 Tests, would almost certainly have been unking his last Australian appearance under the present tour schedule.

Sydney, Feb 4.—The West Indian cricketers, want to return to Australia before the planned 1987 tour, Steve Camacho, their manager, said today. The West Indies retained 'the Sir Frank Worrell trophy twith a thrilling five-wicker win against Australia in the third Test in Adelaide on Wednesday to de the series 1—1.

Clive I load the carein who vivian Richards, the vice-cap-tain and the heir apparent to Lloyd, was not at his best on tour, but Mr Cannacho said: "By his high standards he admits he did not go well, but he is a perfectionist." Richards, who is 29, scored 436 runs on the tour at an average of 43:60, One of the most senior players In the game, Lloyd has been pre-

International honours not

season sees the sport in Britain Harper, and Nick Bell, who work in healthy shape. Standards at and train in Paris and will also in healthy shape. Standards at club and national level have im-

Each of the four weapons-

when her strongest opposition will come from the French. Also competing will be Liz Thurtey, the British chanapion, and the up and coming Fiona McIntosh and Kim Cecil, who both gained their Aim Cecil, who took gained their international colours last season. British placings in this even will be considered when selecting the squads for forthcoming international events in Goppingen, Turin, Paris and Como. Leading the men foilists at the Leon Paul home international, to be held next weekend in London,

Knight captain again Roger Knight has been reelected captain of Surrey County Cricket

West Indies batting

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pected to do well.

At sabre, the only weapon not controlled by electronics, (although this is likely to change in the near future) the squad will be travelling to Budapest, Hanover, Padua, New York and possibly Warsaw.

Always a difficult weapon to succeed with because of scoring difficulties, it is hoped to see some good international results this season from Jim Philbin, British Sabre champion, Mark Slade and Richard Cohen,

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England call on Bond to face Irish Once again By Peter West

Rugby Correspondent England's preparations for the lrish international at Twickenham tomorrow, already set back by thill Beaumont's absence, suffered itil Beanmont's absence, suffered another disappointment yesterday when Paul Dodge withdrew from the side with a pulled hamstring sustained while he was training with the mational squad at St Mary's College. Strawberry Hill.

The Lancashire centre, Tony Bond, was at once summoned to with Clive Woodward in the centre 10 in the party and will link up to with five Woodward in the centre 10 in the party and will link up to win his sixth cap. It will be almost two years to the day sluce he won his last, against the same opposition on the same ground, and was carried off on a stretcher with a broken leg. Dodge's infery is a recurrence of the one that kept him out of the Midland's XV against the Wallables in October.

A decision whether Peter Wheeler will be fire the wood whether will be fire the sufficient of the Madland's XV. against the Wallabies in October.

A. declsion whether Peter Wheeler will be fir to play has been deferred until this morning. England's hooker had a recurrence of an old back injury when training with the England squad at Stourbridge last Monday, and was in considerable pain the following day when he gave himself only a 50-50 chance of playing. But his cause looked much more hopeful yesterday when he took part in all the training activities except serious strummaging. in all the training activities of serious scrummaging. It serious scrummaging. My Simpson, England's ber two hooker this season last, would seem the logical te for a first cap if ler cannot play. The capter hooker and capsteve Mills, won two capsurgentina last summer, and



Joker at work: England's new captain, Smith, puts a smile on the face of the new cap, Syddall (right) at squad training yesterday. Winterbottom and Blakeway share the joke.

was added to the squad yesterday.

It seemed that Bond's grevious injury at Twickenham in 1980, might end his rugby career. But this popular, immensely determined character, had other ideas, and he now has the reward for the pain, the frustration, and the waiting. He won his first cap against New Zealand in 1978, England had plans for Dodge. England had plans for Dodge, with his left foot, to kick at goal from the right-hand side of the posts, Huw Davies from the left, and Marcus Rose from the longest ranges. They now have to decide

was added to the squad yesterday.
It seemed that Bond's grevious shorter ones, or use Clive Woodinjury at Twickenham in 1980, might end his rugby career. But on one side.

Although he is wedded to a fluid, expansive game, the England coach, Mike Davis, admits that the return of Phil Blakeway and John Scott, the replacement of Beaumont by Jim Syddail and that of Dodge by Bond implies a cettling in practical for Smith's

the door

to Greenhoff

start of the season.

Hart and Cherry have been on
the list for two mouths while
Flydn turned down a move to
Stoke City last month after the
clubs had agreed a fee of
6300,000. Flydn, the Wales midfield player, may return to his
home country by joining Swansea City, who have shown an
interest.

firm control. It's more than ever Davis said that Scott was happy to accept the challenge of pack leadership: "I accept that he has only played two matches, but he's such a compentive ammal—he'll play his normal Sarurday game Of Bond's return, he said:
"People think of Tony as a crash
banger who will give confidence
to everybody around him. He's
not as fluent a player as Dodge,
but he fits very nicely into his

its course and Davies

takes field to face France at Cardiff tumorrow were allayed yesterday.
Davies, aged. 25. who hadly
bruised a third in the 20-12
defeat by Ireland last month,
was able to train fully for the
first time at Bridgehd, and afterwards was declared fit.

Davies said: "I felt yery down
on Monday when I contain take
part in the squad session, but
I've been swimming and having
massage every day this weeks and
mother nature seems, to have

massage every day this week and mother nature seems, to have done to trick.

Training asterday included a full-scale man be on two occasions bavies switched up the junior side for a short period to allow Malcolm Daces, the chance, to team up with the scrum half, Terry Holmes, Dacey, the Swangea utility back, would probably have won his first cap if Davies had been ruled out. Davies added: "I hope there is a backlash from the Irish game. I shouldn't need to say much to the other players everybody knows they didn't play particularly well."

larly well.

The Ireland left wing Moss. Finn, is fit to play against England at Twickenham. He passed a stiff fitness test, watched by the chairman of selectors, Kerin Hynn, and the team coach. Tom Klechan, in Dublin yesterday. Finn said: "Naturally I am delighted. I was always a hule worried that something might go wrong, atthough I find two training sessions during the week." Ireland will have another light training session roday at St Pauls School. Hammersmith.

organized in response to the club chalman Leslie Moore's threat that the club will fold in six weeks unless £50,000 is raised.

Darlington are £100,000 in the red; losing £1,000 a week; have £45,000 worth of impaid bills; are expecting a £5,000 VAT bill any day; and fanguish 15th in the fourth division.

the fourth division.

"The public's response has been terrific, but it is a pity we had to say we were facing closure before they gave us their support," Mr Moore said. "Last season we finished eighth in the division, out best performance for years, with gates averaging 7,500. But this season the average attendance has been only. 1,800. Sunderland offered us a game and in the fown it now seems that every street and every organization is doing something to help."

But Mr Moore reiterated his

thing to help."

But Mr Woore reiterated his warning that the club would collapse in mid-March unless the

"We would obviously try to struggle on until the end of the season and then leave the league," he said. "As it is even if we get the money we will probably have to dishand our second tram.

Billy Elliott has cut expenses to a minimum, our fine performance last season landed us in the sonp.

Wednesday's results

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Today's fixtures

Yesterday's results

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Nature takes Canadian downhillers on the up

From Dudley Dourt
Schindman, Febra
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has left that Gerty Sorensen, a
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Miss Soremen gets the job done. She does not ski beautifully. For instance, the does not tuck into a downhiller's tight: classical bail, preferring a "high tuck". Today her arms spread wide, as in awe, when she flew the noted dirlier hump.

To Chapman, she looked fine. "Gerry just stays high and humbers along!", he said. "You know, to win you don't have to



chis and her warer a FrenchCanadian named Martin Geoffroy,
explained that the ones are ware
today were 10 lengths faster than
any of the other seven tried on
a 12 second test run Only a fortnight ago, she had used them all
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The Canadian downbill women,
like their men, are now a world
force: Miss Sorensen is 23, the
daughter of a hamburger income
with wells, round the rocky mountain town of Kimberley wearing
a T-shirt fluit reads. Tim Gerry
Sorensen's father in only her
second year in the national side,
she won her first world cup downtill rate last season at Schladming.
The circumstances were marvellous. She started so far back

Figures fail to add up for Britain

happen in tomorrow's short programme.

Karen Wood, Britain's second competitor, was twelfth. Even allowing for her known failibility in the figures, this too was a disappointment.

Yet a third setback was the discovery this morning that the second. British dance couple, Karen Barber and Nicholas Slater, had finished fifth rather than fourth in the compulsory section. Somebody had omitted to feed the results of the third dance into the computer system.

The mistake had the further effect of requiring a new draw for tomorrow night's free dapte, with the result that Jayne Torvill, and Christopher Dean, champions of British Europe and the world

The final of the pairs are evoked a pang of yearning for the day of Irina Rodnina and, before them, the Protopopovs. Their Russian compatriots, frina Vorobleva and Igor Lisovski, suffered a series of embarrassing and surrendered their

Argentine GP falls victim to drivers' row

Motor racing

Buenos Aires; Feb 4.—The Argentine Grand Prix, scheduled to take place on March 7, has been postponed by the organizers because of the row over the status of drivers which erupted last mouth.

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Drivers were suspended from world championship races immediately after the South African Grand Prix in a dispute over their refusal to sign a new "super licence" proposed by the sport's governing body. FISA. The drivers had earlier gone on strike over FISA's demand that they should sign.

The Argentine Automobile Club said yesterday they had suspended.

me of the players obviously state a players obviously fitted a batter contract. The said yesterday they had subject and the race and saked FISA for a new date later in the year because end.

Now it's up to the public been subjected, however, that the clington has only a small point.

ina was uncertain. It has also been suggested, however, that the club's own financial worries may have contributed to the decision.

The suspension of the race could, jeopardize the Brazilian Grand Prix, scheduled for March II in Eio de Janeiro. Argentine and Brazilian promoters of the race's trasitionally share costs of transporting the vehicles and teams. Agencies.

John Blunsden writes: Although, acording to the organizers, the Argentine Grand Prix has only been postpoued, it will be virtually impossible to agree an alternative date in an aiready crewided in race calendar. There are also "reserve" races in the wings.

At present, the Brazilian Grand Prix is till to go abead and as it falls two weeks before the race at Long Beach, California, it will be possible to spread pransportation costs to some extent. Although the majority of the drivers lines have been paid by their respective teams (they are responsible if the drivers them selves fall to pay them) the conflict is far from resolved.

Table tennis

The champion looks to her

Prom a Special Correspondent

Jill Hammersley's defence of
her European top-12 title starting
today in Names, France, and
continuing muli Sunday lakes on
a new dimension with her sudden
adoption of the courreversial bit
with which lota tillton became
European champion the season
hefore list.

Hilton's bat, which combines a
fast rubiter with a dead one, has
been the subject of speculation
that there might be legislation to
ban or restrict it. Mrs Hammers
hey dropes her hat can help create
the improvement necessary if
she is to hang on to her title
against the formidable challenge
of Bernine Vriceekrop, the Douch
wuman who is Europe's Ne. 1
ranking player.

Mrs Hammersley, aged 30, has
had difficulty maintaining full
motivation this season, but in her
only tournament so far with the
new bat, the German Open, she
called fevence against Kirsten

my tournament at a win the new bar, the German Open, sie adned fevence against Kirsten Kruger, the player who beat her in the European Superleague near the start of the scason.

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Engiand's other contender, Desmond Douglas, who makes no secret of his great desire to succeed Hilton as European champion in April, will have Hilton helping him in his corner. The Lancastrian, who has slumped below 12th, place in the European nankings, does not therefore qualify, but has taken over as remporary England captain in place of the drawell Fater Simpson.

Five freshmen included in surprise Cambridge crew

The Cambridge University Boat
Race crew was announced yesterday by Ladbrokes, the sponsors.
The announcement comes surpris
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The list shows three men under
March 26.

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Cambridge's published weights appear slightly on the light side, averaging just under 12st 13b.

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12 stone—stroke Harris, Pearson

ingly early with the race on March 26.

Cambridge's president, Roger
Stephens made a figal decision.

Is stone—stroke Harris, Pearson and Knight.

Some assessment of Oxford and last Sunday and posted the list of Cambridge will be possible over the next month when they meet Liddrokes, who seem to have leading British eights. Cambridge been taken by surprise, too. But the next month when they meet Liddrokes, who seem to have leading British eights. Cambridge been taken by surprise, too. But the ranging director, Gerald and heavyweight national squads. Green, was able in add. "In my Oxford meet London Universit, who are likely to produce the abetter chance in the five years who are likely to produce the fastest university eight this year, we have sponsored the Boar. This weekend.

Race." Ladbrokes opened the Boar this weekend.

Race betting yesterday with Cambridge are the Cambridge that the Cambridge of the Cambridge that has on the Cambridge boat has on the Cambridge of the Cambridge boat has on the Cambridge of the Cambridge of

the conswain, Berustein Cambridge's experienced barsmen are tucked into the bows of the boat Brine and Bliss rowed for the Cambridge reserve crew, Goldie, against Isls, and the president.

Celebrities enjoy halcyon days before the Clambake

From John Ballantyne
Monterey, Peninsula
California, Feb 4

Jack Nicklaus was the popular
lavourite as he licked off afterhis partner, former President
Gerald Ford, handlop 13, on the
first tee at Cypress Folm today,
in wentier more reminiscem of
the French Riviera in June.

The Bing Crosby national proam, or the "Crosby Clambake"
as it is more commonly known
here, has had snow and hall
wind and rain and and and
alush as handloaps to good golf
in the past and indeed, has
thrived on its notorious reputaEven this week's golfing
celebrities" who include former
Wimbliedon chamoions Arthur
Ashe (15) and Bob Falkenburg
(5) (the latter playing at Pebble
Beach with Nick Fallo), Clint,
Eastwood (48) and Nathanial
Crosby the United Scates amateur
champion (scratch) have been
seen yarming over dinher tables
about "they bad old days."

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rock midway across the bay, old
daddy seal flat on hall down

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Boxing Correspondent his chance as soon as Jones has
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Hans Kennik Palm, of Denmark,
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Changlon, returns to fite Albert
Cound defeat at the hands of Cornelius Boza-Edwards, the
Colin Jones on Thesages He former world junior lightweight
meets Reg Ford, of Goyana, the champion. He faces Arturo de
man who put Dave Green out of Leon, from Tucson, Much
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man who put Dive Green out of Leon, from Tucson. Much business.

Laine, who steps in and steps Edwards has recovered from his up as a replacement for Maurice suprise deteat. by Rolando Hope, aims to brush Ford aside Navarette, of the Phillipines, for on his way to meeting Jones. "I he challenges Carlos Hernandez, know I can bear Jones but the of Spain, for the European title trouble is doing it," the fastest at the Albert Hall on March 17.

World Cup format changes

By Joyce Whitehead over "by the Federation International de Hockey, the format will be different. The top swelve seeded nations, on track record, will compete for the World Cup and the next twelve for the inter-continental tountries. The closing date has cup. As the entry will be at least been extinded in May 31 this 27, there will presumably be year and, because of the "take elimination matches.

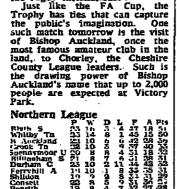
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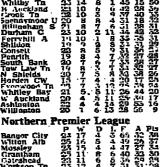
Enfield hope Merthyr fans | Leeds to show will be watching the rugby

Enfield, one of non-League football's most successful clubs, are hoping this season to fill the are stoping this season to fill the most glaring gap in their trophy cupboard. The north London club, who have recently built a reputation as FA Cup glant-killers, twice won the old Amateur Cup but have never tone beyond the semi-finals of he compenition which succeeded t, the FA Trophy.

corrow they travel to yr Tydfil in the second beyond which they have essed once in the last five progressed once in the last rive seasons. Merrityr occupy only a mid-table position in the mid-land division of the Southern League, but their opponents, second in the Alliance Fremier League, are taking no chances. McCluskey, Enfield's said yesterday: "We've thyr watched twice and I to see them myself on day, when they drew 0—0 at a to Bridgend. They look as ghe they could be quite idable on their own ground. "re quite a skilful side who







confident enough. Besides, I'm hoping all Merthy's supporters will be down at Cardiff watching the rugby international I" Just like the FA Cup, the



☐ Wrexham, second division strugglers, have been hit by an injury crisis with six players now doubtful for Safurday's game at Norwich. The latest casualty is Welsh international defender, Jocy Jones, who has badly bruised feet. Ian Edwards, Mick Vinter, Steve Buxton, Frank Carrodus and Wayne Cegielski, are already having daily treatment.

☐ Nottingham Forest manager, Brian Clough, still has confidence Brian Clough, still has confidence in film striker Justin Fashanu, even though he has scored only three goals in 20 games since his transfer from Norwich. "He is having a lean time, but I know I can get him scoring goals again. It is a matter for the player and

Bristol City to sue former manager over bills

Bristol City, who were saved from liquidation yesterday, are attempting to sue their former manager Bob Houghton over hotel and restaurant bills totalling in excess of £5,000.

Archie Goodi, who has handed over chairmanship of the waird division club to Leslie Kew, a 46-year-old builder, said: "We are taking legal action.

For several months after taking over Bristol City in October 1980, Mr Houghton lived with his bride at the Dragouara hotel, Bristol. They claim the club owe them £4,500.

them £4,500.

Three voung professionals, Jon Economon, 20, and 18-year-olds Wayne Bray and Steve Thompson are set to make their City debuts in midfield at home to the third division leaders, Fulham, tomorrow. Their likely promoten comes in the wake of the Ashton Gate eight whose acceptance of a £100,000 pay-off offer to leave the club, saved it from closure.

Gerry Sweeney one of the

Gerry Sweeney, one of the eight, plans to keep himself it by playing for the Somerset village team, Blackwell United: The departures and the broken jaw suffered by Terry Boyle in last week's 1-1 draw at Newport left the arting manager. Roy Hodgson, with the task of fielding a fresh central defence, virtually an emirely changed midfield and

The first task of the four-man

caretaker board, appointed to run the club until the launch of a new £1 million share Issue, is to persuade creditors owed more than £500,000 to freeze their rransfer from Norwich. "He is in an 1500,000 to freeze their having a lean time, but I know debts until then.

I can get him scoring goals again.
It is a matter for the player and myself to sort out." Mr Clough Coffee mornings, jumble sales, a said.

Some of the players obviously wanted a batter contract. The manager had a very hard time of Darlington has only a small population, about 80,000 but we should get gates of 3,500."

When Victor Charles discovered karate, his first search was over

A champion waits for recognition

The block of flats did not look the sort of place where world champions usually live. The downstairs windows were broken, champions issuany live. Ine downstairs windows were broken, the walls covered in graffiti and the lift seemed to have had a fire in it. Was it safe to get inside? Would one ever get out again? Victor Charles, the world champion, lives on the ninth floor, so his manager and business consultant had said, so the lift seemed the only way to get up there. It's a 20-storey high-rise council block near Bow, in the East End of London.

The world champion was in the corridor, signing a poster for an old lady: "Victor Charles, world karate champion." He does not get asked for a lot of autographs, so when he does, he likes to add his full title. Just in case people do not know who he is.

in case people do not know who he is.

He made some tea while we waited for his manager to arrive. His manager works in the purchasing department of an East End catering firm and he is called Fibbar Charles. He happens to be Victor's younger brother, but they do not want to spread that about. They want to sound professional.

Victor is tall and handsome, like a young, but gentler Muhammad Ali, affable and charming, always about to smile, not given to boasting or pushing himself. Young Finbar eventually arrived from work, in spectacles and a button-down shirt, very much the young executive, Why does Victor need a manager? Karate is basically an amateur sport, a minor one in which the great British public takes little interest.

The immediate answer is that tonight Victor will be on TV for the first time. He is appearing in a heat of Superstars and even though it is a banging offence to give away any secreta, young Victor turns out to be the star of the evening.

Victor turns out to be the star of the evening.
Unfortunately he was unable to go on to the next round because of an injured foot. He competed while it was damaged, and in doing so made it worse. This imminent TV exposure has convinced finbar that his big brother needs professional management. "I see my role as relieving the pressure. My job is to block people". He could not remember how many offers he has turned down, but he did he has turned down, but he did say yes to Huddersfield.

That was very big. We both went up there last weekead. It was an exhibition at their youth

Victor's success in his chosen sport has been remarkable. It is indeed a pity that his achievements have so far gone unnoticed. Winning any world I thought I'd join. It would burn erent, from snooker to tennis,



Victor Charles (right), holder of 17 karate titles, with Finbar, his manager.

Involves enormous personal strug-gles and sacrifices, but if you do it in a non-televised sport, you He was born in St Lucia in 1954 and followed his parents to London when he was six, along

with his two brothers.

They're a catholic fereily, and Victor went to a good catholic secondary school in the East had, weere he got a couple of "O" levels, but spent most of his time in sport. He was good at every game, but not quite brilliant at any. West Ham and Millwall gave him trials, but were not convinced, so he left school at 16 and became a welder for a witle, and then a tailor's with his two brothers. school at 16 and became a weder for a while and then a tailor's cutter. Then he got a job in an adventure playground, as an assistant play leader. He is a student at present,

off some sweat, give me some-

Said.

By the end of his first year. which was 1974, he was the Eritish junior champion. He wan more thies and was picked for the British squad for the world championships in Tokyo in 1977. championships in Tokyo in 1977.

"But I didn't get on the fuor. I was left out of the team. I was really sick. The winner was a Dutchman, so the next year I went to Holland for the Dutch open championships, and I beat him him. The next year, I beat him ha, in. He said we can't go on meeting like this ..."

Today, Victor is the holder of I different rules. They include English, European and World championships.

He is not sure why it all sudchampionships.

He is not sure why it all suddenly clicked. One of the taungs he had never done as a boy was box. He is not an aggressive person, despite his powerful physique. For several years, he appears to have been a sportsman in search of a sport.

man in search of a sport.

"What I like about karate," says Victor, "15 that you can teally disarm someone, without hurring them, or even touching teem. That's what you get points for. That's the skill, "Some parts of the saort have lad a bad name, all those macho kids trying to be Bruce Lee. Karate is like a big departmental sport. There's the art kerate department, weapons, basic movements, contact fighting. What I'm doing is sport leaves "It's probably the sport" own fault that people don't really understand it, but it's growing all the time." In but it's growing all the time." In 1961 there were 43,580 karate players compared with only 16,000 in 1977.
Victor's flat is dripping with cups and salvers am medals. In cup; and salvers am medals. I admired them, all, but couldn't find his world prophy.

I gave that to my Mum. She has it in her flat.

Hunter Davies

Squash rackets

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"Little Owl" affair highlights problems of beating bookmakers at the racing game

Punters gambling against the odds

The widespread interest in the recent "Little Owl affair" at Kempton Park — reflected in the vast media coverage — was because, for once, those perennial baddies of the racing world, the bookmakers, came off worse and were seen to squeat like stuck pigs. In the releatless war between them and the punters

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the bookmakers, came off worse and were seen to squeal like stuck pigs. In the releatless war between them and the punters there is never any doubt where public sympathy lies.

In the Kempton race Little Owl, last year's Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, was long odds on to beat his two rivals. Venture To Cognac and Great Dean, but was pulled up halfway through the race by his owner-rider. Jim Wilson, because the bit had slipped through his mouth. The Kempton stewards "recorded" Wilson's explanation, which meant that they neither accepted it and the case could be reopened at any time.

The computer straight forecast (CSF) for Venture To Cognac and Great Dean paid 141-1 and bookmakers throughout the country were faced with enormous liabilities. They were recommended to withhold payment on the advice of BOLA (Betting Office Licensees' Association) who investigate what they consider suspicious circumstances on the bookmakers had no grounds for them paid before the decision). The fact was that they ad simply

bookmakers had no grounds for withholding payment (some of them paid before the decision). The fact was that they had simply been caught with the pants of their sharp suits down. Astute punters realized that if Little Owlfell (he had done so in his previous race) the other two, who started at 5-2 and 66-1, had only to finish the course to provide a huge dividend.

huge dividend.

According to a BOLA spokesman what they are looking for when they advise bookmakers not to pay out in such cases is evidence of "a contrived coup, malpractice and an attempt to manupulate the odds". Tahat definition is a nebulous one and some say that bookmakers could avoid a heavy payout, at any time, simply by saying they smelt a rat. Gambling debts are not legally enforcable anyway.

It is not quite as simple as that. Apart from the fact that a bookmaker would lose all credibility if he refused to pay up without good reason, he would also be open to the ultimate

Kempton Park programme

Tote double 2.30 and 3.30. Treble 2.00, 3.00 and 4.00

1.30 FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,282: 2m) (17 runners)

9-4 Esal Condor, 11-4 Al Kuwait, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 Cassley, 10 New , 12 Widd, 20 others.

By John Karter 1,30 Esai Condor, 2.0 The Herb, 2.30 Random Leg, 3.0 Roadhead, 3.30 Road To Mandalay, 4.0 Champagne Chartie.

2 30 FAIRMILE CHASE (novice: handicap; £3.406; 3m) (6)

Kempton Park selections

Kelso programme

1.15 MAXTON HURDLE (Div I: novices: £589; 2m)

1.45 MAKERSTOUN HURDLE (Setting handicap:

3 Tom Thorn, 7-2 Paddy-One-Row, 9-2 Kibcoy, 8 Quam Calernine, 7 Menalist, 8 Go Lightly, 12 That's Magle, 20 others.

2.15 RUTHERFORD CHASE (Handicap: £937: 2m

ogio DUSKY DUKE (CD) W A Stephenson 7-11-10 R Lamb

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9-4 Closm Court, 7-2 Polars Laddle, 8-2 Dusky Duke, 5 Percipient, 7 Even Melody, 12 Pampered Sovereign, 20 Supreme Sail, Spartan

2.45 MAXTON HURDLE (Div II: novices: £614: 2m)

£522: 2m) (12 runners)

O FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,282: 2m) (17
0-4013 CASSLEY (D) (I. Merson) G Merson 9-11-5
AL KUWART (Shek Fahad) E Winter 6-11-0
DEPSUMSET (R Gunner) Mrs J Pitmen 5-1-10
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O-4 Esel Condor, 11-4 Al Kuwaki, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8

sanction — that of having his livilihood taken away from him. A bookmaker must be a fit and proper person to hold a permit and it is open to anyone to object to the renewal of that permit each year.

each year. In the bookmaker-punter war

assumed that they were press

The most recent famous recent race was the Gay Future affair, which took place at Cartmel racecourse in 1975 and which became the subject of a highly entertaining television film called The Crack. The case went to The Crack. The case went to court and set a racing precedent: it left a jury to draw the line — previously drawn by Tattersalls committee, the stewards and the Jockey Club — between, as Mr Justice Caufield succinctly defined it, "the use of cunning in order to achieve maximum winnings and an agreement to defraud".

Tony Murphy and his Iristi

defraud".

Tony Murphy and his Irish syndicate, the defendants in the Gay Future case, had, it seemed, overstepped the line — but only just. The judge said that the public at large had not been affected and that the dgree of dishonesty was although a conspiracy to defraud, very much at the bottom end of the scale.

The syndicate entered Gay



Jim Wilson and Little Owl: on their way to a Gold Cup triumph

Future in a small race at Cartmel, knowing he had the form to win easily, but they kept the horse in training in Ireland and sent a "double" to Antony Collin's stable at Troon a month before the race. This was necessary because the Jockey Club rules require a horse to be with a trainer 28 days before a race.

The horses were switched two days before the race, Tim Jones was substituted at the last minute for an unknown Scottish ylder down to ride the horse and

for an unknown Scottish pider down to ride the horse and soapflakes were rubbed in Gay Future's flanks to make it appear as if he was sweating up in the parade ring. Collins entered two other horses, which never left his stables and which, he admitted, he never intended to run at Southwell and Plumpton, the same day, and the syndicate piled the money on. One third went on Gay Future, who won at 10-1, and the rest in doubles with the other two horses, non-runners which, two horses, non-runners which, under bookmakers rules, became single bets on Gay Future.

Unfortunately the case seems to have left racing in a grey area of the law. Mr Roger Gray, QC, summing up for the defence, said: "Things are done on the

3.0 WILFRED JOHNSTONE CHASE (Hunters: £1,238: 2½和) (11)

3.30 WAVENDON-HURDLE (Handicap: £1,886; 21/m) (16)

4.0 FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div it: novices: £1,248; 2m) (18)

3.15 TEVIOT CHASE (Handicap: £1,303: 21/m) (13)

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2 Twiffight, 3 Twice Times, 4 Darth Vader, 7 Stamwick Gold, 8 Mr. sty, 10 Chance Command, 16 others.

3140 LYNE MRL Swindishurst 8-11-11

TILLA FANCY (CD) J S Wilson 4-11-6 ... A Stringer 4

BRITLEY BOY Mrs J Gledon 6-11-1

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4.15 MAXTON HURDLE (Div III: Novices: £609: 2m)

7-2 Pilver Strens, 4 Lasobarry, 5 King Vulture, 6 Impus, 7 Easby Gold, 8 Border Brig, 10 What A Cosp, 14, Larry Bell, 20 others.

3.45 ANCRUM CHASE (Novices: £904: 3m) (16)

p030 ARPAL GLIDER Fairgrieve 8-10 004- CINCHID Fairbaim 11-10-0

9001 MIRROR BOY (D) (N Whitcomb) H Price 5-11-5
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905 ALLADO (A Neares) A Neares 6-11-0
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7-4 Mirror Boy, 9-2 Chempagne Charle, 6 Busting, 7 Pykeetsii, 8 Young Dustry.

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1.45 (1.50) HEDDON HURDLE (DW 1: 5989

2m)
KINGS GLORY br c, by Royal and Regal —
Dezzing Light (C Heard) 4-10-0 R G
Hughes (6-4 tav)
Silcatory — Device (8-4)
Low Tide — R Rowe (100-1-

TOTE: Win 25p; places, 14p, 14, 36. Dus F: 32p. CSF: 47p. P. Mitchell, at Ermon. 4l, 8l. Brogue (200-1) 4th. 12 ran. NR Amman.

2.15 (2.17) GOLDSTONE CHASE (Novices

APPLALTO by g by Lio Volante — Pomme Office N Cerrol() 8-11-5 A Webber (1-2

Drops O'Brandy P Warner (7-2)
Storm Prince G McCourt (66-1)

TOTE: Win 12p; places, 12p, 11p. Dual F 16. CSF 24p. R Armytage, at East Galay. 2%I, 12l. Duko William (100-1) 4th 7 ran...

2.45 (2.49) WORTH WOOD HURDLE (4-y-c

3-15 (3.18) FELCOURT CHASE (Handles

TOTE WWN: 51p. places: 15p. 22p duel forecast: 84p CSF: E2.66. R Armytage at East lasey, 81, 101. Another Duke (5-6 tav) 4th. 6

TOTE WIN: 53p, place: 14p, 15p, 12p dual lorecast: 38p, CSF: £1.42. S Woodman at Chichester. 1 M, 31. Ashleigh Boy 100-30 fav. Summercowe (16-1) 4th. 9 ran. NR: Whinney Bras, Manawa.

4.15 (4.19) **HEDDON HURDLE** (DIV II: novice £939: 2m)

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TOTAL WIN: 62p. places: 14th, 12p, 29p. Dual forecast-71p. CSF: £1.61. D Elsworth at Fordingbridge. 21, 25l, leate (50-1) 4th. 12

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that trainers doping a horse of "pulling" it (concealing its true form) and then making a killing at inflated odds are now open to prosecution?

Bookmakers do not like, indeed will not tolerate winning punters — it is as simple as that. As a director of one of the big firms so eloquently put it. We don't mind the occasional lucky bastard, but a clever bastard is a different matter".

The clever punter, for example, picks a race where there is a short-priced favourite and bets each-way (win and place) on another horse at longer odds which he knows will show a profit as long as it finishes in the first three. Such a punter would be put on "win only" betting and if he continued to profit would be quickly told to take his business elsewhere. The professional punter has become an extinct species because of the betting tax, but even in his heyday before the tax man like Alex Bird, who has made a fortune from betting, had eo employ men to put his money on for him because the bookmakers would not take his bets.

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All this is legitimate business practice by bookmakers seeking to maximise their winnings. But what about a bookmaker who creates a false favourite of manipulates the odds in some other way to suit his book on a race? Or when a bookmaker takes ante-post bets on a horse knowing that it will not run in the race and the punter will lose his stake? Such things are certainly not unknown no matter how much the fraternity may deny it. But, and it seems particularly relevant in the case of the anti-post bets, do they simply involve the use of cunning or do they set out too defraud?

The question is purely academic because to prove that a bookmaker had such knowledge would be impossible. What has been proved over the years, though, is the increasing application of their dictum "Though shalt not win". As in the Little Owl case punters may win the occasional battle but they can never hope to win the war.

John Karter

The Latin connexion keeps Kent flying

Maurier over the course.

The Park Handicap Chase has the distinct look of a bookmakers' benefit. Nevertheless, it could pay to side with The Herb, one of the most consistent jumpers around. The Herb must have given backers of the oddson News King severe heart palpitations when, admittedly in receipt of 2st, he ran Winter's brilliant two-miler to a head at Newbury. The Herb since fin-Newbury. The Herb since fin-ished third to Tower Moss, one of today's rivals here, and is 3lb worse off, but the last named has since run disappointingly at

Reports, that a meeting has

been arranged between the Levy
Board Chairman, Lord Plummer,
and Bill Davies, the owner of
Aintree, may not mean that an
announcement about the future
of the Grand National is
trominent.

Lord Plummer, recognizing the needs for private negotiation, will not comment on the latest situation. But the fact that the

the scales against nim.

Winter runs Young Dusky,
who has shown ability in
bumpers races in Ireland, in the
second division of the Novices' race. Preference here, though, is for one or two others, notably Champagne Charlie, who failed to justify heavy ground at Warwick recently. Previously, he had been and impressive winner from Marcelling at Northingham and Marcellino at Nottingham and may just be good enough to rebuff Mirror Boy, who beat the recent Cheltenham winner, Sindebele at Lingfield, and Busting, a promising fourth to Du Maurier over the course.

The Post Handison Chase has

National talks give rise to optimism

imminent.

It is feared that this year's running of the National, on April 3, will be the last. But even if Lord Plummer and Mr Davies get together, there is no guarantee that a settlement will be made wield.

stronger. But the fact that the two men are to meet gives rise to optimism that the 1982 Grand National will not be the last. There are likely to be many hours of negotiation before any announcement can be made. STATE OF GOING: Kempton Park: Good soft, Kelea: Good. Tomorrow, Wetherby:

Motoring by Peter Waymark

The Norwegian skid control

Those motorists, and there must have been many, who found it difficult to keep their grip on the icy roads a few weeks back, may wonder why Britain does not follow the example of Norway and

include skid control in the driving test.

Even if the extreme weather we suffered does not occur very often, it is still worth knowing how to cope with emergencies and the number of drivers who have been formally instructed in how to correct a skid must be very small. In this and other areas the

Norwegian approach to learner drivers is a particlar-ly interesting one. It is based on the proposition, supported by research in several countries, that it takes five to seven years to master the art of driving and that inexperienced drivers are more often involved in accidents than

experienced ones.
To meet the point, the Norwegian driving test was redesigned in 1979 and now consists of two parts. In phase one the learner driver undergoes basic instruction (the Norwegian authorities recommend approximately 55 hours) before taking two tests, one theoretical and the other on the road. Candidates passing both tests are given a probationary licence valid for two years.

During that time they are allowed to drive unaccom-panied, but after a minimum period of one year they have to go through three further types of instruction before a permanent licence can be granted. One concerns theoretical work in the classroom, another driving in the dark and the third driving on ice, which includes tuition on a skid

Probationers who do not come up to standard can have the permanent licence re-fused by the driving instructor, although there is a right of appeal to the ministry of transport. If the permanent licence is not obtained during the two years, the candidate loses his interim licence and the process must start again. Phase two is virtually selffinancing, because the extra instruction (four hours in each of the three cases) is provided by driving schools which charge fees for it. The

government has, however, helped to pay for 20 new driver training centres, with skid pans, which have been established since the ex-tended test was introduced. Under the old system, Norwegian driving licences had to be renewed every 10 years. Now the licence valid, subject to medical examinations every 10 years until the age of 73, after which a medical has to be

whether the revised test has had the desired effect but the structure does seem to be sensibly based and perhaps contains lessons for other countries, not least our own. The British driving test has

remained more or less unchanged since it was introduced in 1935. Every now and again some Minister of Transport takes a fresh look at it but invariably the verdict is that the test is effective and that changes would be difficult and expensive to implement.

Nor is the Department of

Transport impressed by the idea that skid control should become part of driving instruction. "We are satisfied with the test as it is", the



Volvo has chosen unusual rear styling for its new 760 GLE saloon, announced this week in Sweden. Powered by a 2.8 litre petrol engine and, later, a 2.3 litre diesel, it will be launched in Britain in June. The car will initially be an addition to the range, though in the longer term it is expected to replace the 200 Series.

able to answer questions on bow to control a skid in the verbal part of the test.

Audi 80 CD Before this decade is out,

the biggest car made in Europe apart from small number of luxury and performance models could be about the size of a Ford Cortina with a 2 litre engine as its top power unit. At the same time, it will have the comfort and refinement associated with today's "executive" cars and almost as much space. It could be not dissimilar from the new flagship of the Audi 80 range,

Apart from size for the sake of it, a car like the 80 CD surely offers almost everything a discriminating motorist wants; good handling and performance, low noise levels, a high standard noise levels, a high standard
of finish and the sort of
features "big" cars are
expected to have, from a
sunroof to power steering,
central locking, electric
windows and alloy wheels.
The only flaw in the argument is that it has a big car price as well, £7,956, putting just ahead of the new Rover 2000.

The CD uses the five cylinder 1921 cc engine which had its first application in the Audi Coupe. Audi's idea in going for the unusual number of cylinders was to achieve the smooth-ness of a "six" without a resulting fuel penalty. Certainly, this unit is most civilized, hardly raising its voice above a whisper wven under hard driving. On the motorway, the top (fifth) gear cuts engine speed to 2,600 rpm at 70 mph and what mechanical noise there is becomes drowmed by the on February 15, should be wind, not that it is intrusive.

Developing 115 bhp, the Superficially the car, avail-

there is good pulling power in fourth gear, fifth being an overdrive for steady speed cruising. The claimed maximum is 113 mph.

Fifth gear is marked E, for to the 1600 cc engine, have economy, and has been given a high ratio to save fuel.

Another aid to economical the gallon. driving is an "econometer" a gauge related to throttle openings; the harder you drive, the higher the needle goes, and vice versa. The third inducement to economize is a small yellow arrow which lights up on the dashboard when it is time to select a higher gear.

mention the aerodynamic front air dam, the actual consumption of the car

COUNTRY PROPERTY

department said this week, proved a shade disappointing. though adding that candi-My returns were 23 mpg in dates were expected to be town and, in spite of extensive use of the fifth gear,
30mpg on the open road. It is
difficult to agree with the
manufacturer's asertion that "most owners should be able to achieve 35 mpg overall'.

As a car to drive, the Audi is enjoyable if you want to press on, and reasuringly

People coming to the car for the first time will be struck by the firmness of the seats and ride. That is the German way of car desgn and largely follows from the decision to produce taut handling. The firmness will not be at all tastes (my son found the ride rather sto-mach churning) and those who prefer their cars softly sprung must go elsewhere. As for the seats, they do give good support, expecially for the back and the initial feeling of hardness soon

disappears.
Thanks in part to the front-wheel drive layout, the car offers enough passenger space to justify the claim of being a full five-seater and the boot is deep, though it has a high lip and smallish opening. Inside, the car is tastefully furnished, with crushed velour uphelstery. and there us a pleasingly subdued colour scheme.

Renewed Accord

So far as we know there are no plans to build the Honda Accord at Cowley, although if BL wanted a high quality medium car quickly (which it does) then it could hardly make a happier choice. The original Accord was, at the time of its launch in 1976, arguably the best model to have come out of Japan and the revised range, which goes on sale in Britain even better.
Superficially the car, avail-

engine provides acceptably able as a four-door saloon or brisk performance. Acceler-three-door hatchback, looks ation from 0 to 60 mph takes much as before. But it is a little longer and wider to more interior space, while modifications to the bodyshape have reduced aero-dynamic drag and wind noise. The lower drag, and changes

According to the official figures, the saloon now gives 30.4 mpg in urban driving, 47.9 at 56 mph and 34.9 at 75 mph, which leaves British medium cars, like the Cortina, Cavalier and Ital somewhat trailing. Prices, too, are competitive, starting at £5,190 for the hatchback and For all this help, not to rising to £6,940 for the tention the aerodynamic generously equipped executive version of the saloon with automatic transmission.

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Radio 1

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The Friday Rock Show. † 12.00 Midnight Close.

9.00 For Schools, Colleges: Today's subjects are: Biology: Better Badminton; Look and Read; It's Maths!: Maths File; Hyn o Fyd (for Welsh viewers); Talkabout; and Plants in Action (one parent families); 12.30 News After Noon: with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart; 12.57 Financial writinger and Moira Stuart; 12.57 Financial report. And news headlines; 1.00 Pobble Mill at One; Peter Seabrook's gardening feature. And another of the Living with Leisure items on sports and pastimes; 1.45 Bagpuss: for the very young; 2.02 For Schools, Colleges: Personal View (with Claire Rayner) and A Good Job with Prospects; 3.00 Closedown; 3.20 Pobbl y Cwm (serial, in Weish The third enjoyed); 3.56 Elay School (see Welsh. The third episode); 3.55 Play School (see

4.20 Captain Caveman: cartoon.

(Johnny Ball).

4.30 Think Again: The seven ages of Johnny

4.55 Grange Hilf: comprehensive school serial.
Episode 10. What happened on Belinda's and Annette's exploration.

5.20 The Amazing Adventures of Morph: with

Tony Hart (r); 5.25 Welcome to Wodehouse: John Alderton tells the story Goodbye to All Cats.

5.40 Nevrs: with Richard Baker, 6.00 South East at Six. And, at 6.22, Nationwide, including

7.00 The Superstars: Third heat of the chase for the Ferguson Men's Championship The contestants include pole vaulter Brian

8.00 Fame is the Spur: Part five. Polling day in the by-election. But wouldn't Arnold's

victory actually be Hamer's? 8.50 Points of View: with Barry Took and a selection of viewers' letters.

9.00 News with John Simpson, And weather

Hooper and England Rugby Union full-back Marcus Rose. There's also Wales and

Entish Lions scrum-half Terry Holmes and European and World Games karate gold

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BBC 2 TITY/LONDON 11.00 Play School: Cynthia Felgate's story Bother that Phone! 11.25 Closedown; 3.55 Argund with Allias: Peter Alliss and Michael Parkinson chat as they play golf (r).



4.30 Flying High: History of aviation in the West. Final film in the series (r).

5.40 Film: Sheriock Holmes and the Spider Woman* (1944). The super sleuth and his bumbling companion versus a dreaded adversary (Gale Sondergaard). With Basil Rathbone, Nigel

6.40 Heroes: Dr Miriam Stoppard's idols include Grace Darling and

7.10 Oxford Road Show: Live, from

7.55 In the Country: Angela Rippon and Tony Soper on St

Micheal's Mount in Cornwall, 8.25 Newsweek: What can the West do about Poland's shattered economy? Keith Kyle reports.

5.00 World Ski-ing Championel Ladies' slatom and Men's combined downhill. From

Bruce.

7.50 News.

Alan Alda.

9.35 For Schools: The subjects are:— Reading with Lenny: How We Used to Live; 1-2-3-Go;

with Lenny: How We Used to Live; 1-2-3-Go; Physics in Action; Geography Today; Alive and Kicking; Stop, Look, and Listen; Documentary Rerun (Stench in the Ear); 11.55 Comic Stories; 12.00 A Handful of Songa; 12.10 Once Upon a Time: Noisy Neighbours; 12.30 Simply Sewing: Making a batwing-sleeved dress (r); 1.00 News; 1.20 Themes area news; 1.30 Take the High Road-Scottish estate serial; 2.00 After Noon Plus: with Elaine Grand and Simon Reed; 2.45 Film: Where the Builets Fly (1966) British-made spy comedy with Tom Adams as the secret agent who takes on a gang that's after a formula for a takes on a gang that's after a formula for a nuclear-powered plane. With Dawn Addams, Sidney James, Wilfred Brambell.

4.15 Dangermouse: British-made cartoon serial; 4.30 Razzmatazz: Pop music show, with Gary Numan and Dance Class.

5.45 News; 6.00 The Six O'Clock Show: Current Atlairs with a light touch. With Michael Aspel and Janet Street-Porter. Fred Housego looks after the traffic reports and local news is presented by Rita Carter and

7.00 Family Fortunes: The Jones's from Swansea (I) play the Farestvedts from Barton-le-Clay, Beds.

8.30 Shine on Harvey Moon: Harvey (Kenneth Cranham) Invites his son's teacher (Fiona Victory) out to dimer and his wife Rita (Maggie Steed) is beaten up.

10.00 News. 10.02 International Assignment. Shirley Dixon. 12.00 News. 2.02 You and Yours. 12.27 My Word! 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World of One. 1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News. Jukes of Piccadilly: Comedy thriller serial. Final episode of The Case of the Arabian Kidnap. With Nigel Hawthome (r); 5.15 Square One: The Joe Brown board game. With Tim Brooke Taylor and Floella

Hawaii Five-O: Drama about a troublesome widow and a missing girl. With Jack Lord as the private eye (r).

6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Ferming Today. 6.30 Today. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Desert Island Discs. Castaways Paul McCartney.

9.45 Feedback. Your views on 98C
TV and Radio. Presented by
Tom Venton. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Morning Story: "The Bridge", by H. E. Betes. The reader is 11.00 News.
11.05 Great Families of Britain, A series of radio portraits (3) The Noble House of Howard.
11.50 Bird of the Week: The great St. 2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour. Includes the recollections of a royal pestry chel, Colin Alderson.

Radio 4

3.00 News.
3.02 Play "Short Madness" by Dswn Lowe-Watson. With John le Mesurier and Elizabeth Bell.†
4.05 Poetry Pleasel†
4.15 Modern French Wnters (2) Albert Camus.
4.45 Story Time: "Marital Rites" by Margaret Forster (10). 4.45 Story Time: "Marital Rites" by Margaret Forster (10). 5.00 PM; News magazine. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 News and Finanacial Report. 6.30 Going Places. The travel and transport scene. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week.† 8.10 Profile. A personal portrait. 8.30 Any Questions? With Lord Rawfinson, Malcolm Muggeridge, John Mortimer and Glenda Jackson.

BBC 1

BBC Cynnu/Wales 12.57-1.0 News.
1.45-2.2 Corachod. 2.35-3.00

Ysgollon. 3.20-3.55 Closedown. 4.555.20 Onyynlon. 6.0-6.22 Wales Today.
7.0-7.30 Heddiw. 7.30-8.0 Pobol Y

Cwm. 10,15-11.5 Week in Week out.
11.5-11.6 News. 13.6-12.40 Film: The
Lost Cominent (Eric Proter). Scotland
11.0-11.22 For Schooks: 12.55-1.0

News. 3.20-3.55 Closedown. 6.0-6.22

Reporting Scotland. 10,15-10.45

Goodbye Mr. Kent. 10.45-10.50 News.
1.15 News. Northern Iredand 11.011.22 Closedown. 12.57-1.0 News.
3.20-3.53 Closedown. 3.53-3.55

News. 6.0-6.22 Scene Around Siz.
10.15-10.45 Spotlight. 10.45-10.50

News. 1.15 News. England 6.0-6.22

Regional Magacines 10.15-10.45 East

Weekend: Midlands — Know Your

Platos, North — Politics North; North
East — Coast to Coast; North West

— Home Ground; South — The

Writers' Programme; South West —

Down the Club; West — Newsroom

File;

TVS

As Thames except: 1.20-1.30 TVS
News. 2.45-4.15 Film: They Might Be
Giants (1972) (Joanne Woodward and
George C Scott). 5.15 Watch This
Space... 5.30-5.46 Coast to Coast.
6.00 Coast to Coast. 8.30-7.00 Friday
Sportshow. 7.30-6.30 The Fall Guy.
11.00 Film: Dr Blood's Coffin (1961)
(Geron Moore, Hazel Court) 12.40 are
Company.

ANGLIA

As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.45-4,15 Film: Appointmen with Venus, Attempt to rescue Ven

BBC1

9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Kaleidoscope, Includes an Item on the Dame Edha Everadge Show at the Theatre Royal, Drury Land. 9.59 Weather. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.35 Week Ending: 1
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11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" by James Joyce (15).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament. 11.45 John Ebdon delves into the 12.00 News

VHP: 8.25 Weather, 9.05 For Schools, 10.30 Lister, With Mother, 11.00 For Schools, 2.00 For Schools, 5.50 PM (continued), 11.00 Study On 4

Radio 3

6.55 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morrang Concert. Roy Harris,
Chabrier, Turina; records.† 8.05 Morning Concert (continued)
Bach, Liszt, Haydh; records.† 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers, Albinoni and Marcello, records.†

9.45 Melos Quartet of Stuttgart.
Recital Mendelssohn, Shosta-

konch, Schubert.†

11.20 Very Old and Very New.
Concert: anon., Arvo Part,
anon., Ludwig Senfi, anon.,
Thomas Stotzer, Senfi, isaac.,
Roger Marsh.†

12.15 Midday Concert direct from the
Henry Wood Half, Glasgow.
Part 1: Mozart, Hummel.†

1.00 News.
1.05 Interlude.
1.20 Midday Concert. Part 2:
Brahms (Symphony No. 3).†
2.05 Cello and Piano. Recital:
Stravinsky. Martinu, Debus

11.15-Brian Matthew. 12.00 Round Midnight and Weather from midnight 1,00cm Truckers' Hour.† 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the Music.† 2.45 Zuzana Ruzuckova. Harpsichord recital:, Purcell, Viktor Kalabis, Elizabiath Maconchy, Antoine 3.25 Mahler and Prokofiev, Con 5.00em As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read, 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Dave Lee Travis. 2.00 Paul Burnett. 3.30 Steve Wight, 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peobles. 10.00

cert.†
4.00 Chorale Evensoring from Paisley Abboy | †
4.55 Novs. ;
5.00 Mainly: for Pleasure with Joe Riley, †
6.55 Play if Again, Preview.

7.00 Sibelius on record, incidental music to Pétleas et Mélisande,† music to Pétleas et Métisande,†
7.30 Songs | by Faure, Wolf and
Strauss. Song recital direct
from ties Broadcasting Centre,
Burmingham. Part 1: Faure,†
8.05 Poetry Now. New poetry
readings. The reader is Alan
Brownpuln.†
8.25 Songs by Faure, Wolf end
Strauss. Part 2: Wolf, Strauss.†
9.15 The Mergent of the Filips Eich

Radio 2 5.00am Ray Moore † 7.30 Terry
Wogan.† 10.00 Jimmy Young † 12.00
Glona Humillord † 2.00pm Ed
Stewart, 4.00 David Hamilton.† 5.45
News and Sport † 6.00 John Dunn.†
8.00 Sequence Time.† 8.45 Friday
Night is Music Night.† 10.00 Listen to
Les. 10.30 Arrything for a Laugh. World Service

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

prospects for the weekend The European Ice Figure Skating Championships: The Ice Dance Championship, from Lyons, in France. In the free dance, Britain's Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean are the centre of attraction. They are attempting to retain the European title which they won last year. They already hold the world tille. It is likely that, in the competition's final stage, the two champions could be joined by another two British couples, Karen Barber and Nicky Slater, and Wendy Sessions and Stephen Williams. There is also coverage of the short programme in the Ladies' event. The British champion, Debbie Cottrill has her eyes on a medal.

10.15 Face the Music: Joseph Cooper again presides. And his team tonight consists of Joyce Grenfell, Robin Ray and Bernard Levin. The guest is Hanryk Szeryng (r). 10.45 News headlines. And weather forecast. 10.50 Film: Zorba the Greek* (1965) Life-saluting Michael Cacoyannis drama, set on the island of Crete, with Anthony Quinn as the volatile Greek who re-shapes the character of a quiet British writer. Ends at

9.00 Little Ginny Sings Country: From the Snape Maltings, in Sussex. A concert by the diminutive Londoner. Also taking part is the 1960s pop star Lorne Gibson, still busy

9.30 Playhouse: Out of Step. Carol Buryan drama stars Jacqueline Tong as the ballroom dancer with a serious drink problem. Albert Welling plays her dancing partner and Gillian Raine plays their

10.35 Cartoon: Diogenea, Perhaps. was made in Yugoslavia. 10.45 Newsnight: Comment and news

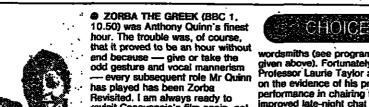
11.30 Friday Night . . . Saturday Morning. The master of ceremonies is Professor Laurie Taylor, Professor of Sociology at the University of York. His guests are Beryl Balnbridge, Tom Conti, playwright Nell Dunn, broadcaster Ray Gosling and playwright Trevor Griffiths. Ends at 12.25am.

9.00 The Gentle Touch: Police drama series.
Two women live logether. One of them
(Sheila White) has leukaemia and has not long to live. She asks her friend (Fiona Walker) to put an end to her suffering Reluctantly she forges prescription for two bottles of powerful sleeping pills. Jill Gascoine plays Detective Inspector Maggie

10.30 Bizarre: The comedy show from the United States that is too remorselessly American, for the tastes of many people over here. 11.00 The London Programme: The Breakdown Business. A special investigation into some of the unsatisfactory practices that are adopted when cars break down and drivers have to seek assistance from vehicle recovery firms. Some of them are

"cowboys" and leave cars in a dangerous condition. It's a programme that makes out a good case for joining one of the reputable motoring organizations. 11.35 Soap: American comedy series.

12.05 Paris By Night: Life in the French capital at the turn of the century. 12.30 Close: With Quentin Crisp.



Theodorakis, to be moved by the taded fantasies of Madame Hortense (Lila Kedrova in a performance she has never equalled) and admire the harsh and-white camerawork which deserved an Oscar, and got one.
FRIDAY NIGHT ... SATURDAY CHOICE

given above). Fortunately, it has in (Hadio 3, 10, 15pm). Professor Laurie Taylor an MC who, Spoken word highlights: Two

the BBC Scottish, under George Hurst (Radio 3, 1.20); Dmitiri

record programme Anything for a Laugh (Radio 2, 10.30pm); and Hollywood-inspired songs in Robert Cushman's Book, Music and Lyrics

first-rate radio actors, John Le Mesurier and Elizabeth Bell in Dawn Lowe-Watson's Afternoon Theatre play SHORT MADNESS, about a widowed schoolmaster's friendship with the woman next door (Radio 4,

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Cartoon 1.20-1.30 News 2.45-4.15
Film: Devil on Horseback * (Google
Withers, John McCallum) Downtall of
an ambitious jockey, 5.15-5.45 Benson
6.00 News 6.30-7.00 Mir and Mirs
7.30-8.30 Fall Guy 10.28 News 10.30
Good Neighbour Show 11.00 Film:
Gentlemen Prefer Blondes (Jane
Russell, Marilyn Monroe), Girls sell for
Europe to find rich husbands. 12.40
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As HTV WEST except: 11.34-11.49 About Wales 12.00-12.10 Flalabatam 4.15-4.45 Merched y Souk 8.00-8.15 V Dydd 6.15-8.30 Report Wales 10.30-11.00 Outlook.

SCOTTISH

As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.45-4.15 Film: Man Writhout a Country. Thriller set aboard an County. Innuer set accord an American neval ship in 1820. 5.15 Emmerdale Farra. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.25 Sports Extra. 6.45-7.00 Hear, Here. 7.30-8.30 Thingummylig. 10.30 Ways and Means. 11.00 Bizarre. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Streets of San Francisco. 12.30 Closedown.

CHANNEL As London exceol: 11:25 are-12.00

AS LONDON EXCEPT 17:20 am-1:200 Look and See. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Fibrr: Green Grow the Rushes (Richard Burton, Honor Blackman) Two civil servents try to curb smuggling. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.35-7.00 Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6:35-7:00 All That Jezz. 7:30-8:30 Hart to Hart. 10.28 News. 10.35 Autourd'hui en France. 10.40 Mysterious Tales. 10.45 Three's Company, 11.15 Film: The Cat (Jenn Gabin) Ageing couple's hale is as strong as their love once was. 12.45 am Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: 1.20pm-1.30
News. 2.45 Film: Old Man Who Cried
Wolf (Edward G.Robinson). An old man
ses his friend beaten to death but the
police do, not believe him. 4.10-4.15
Windows. 6.00-7.00 News. 7.30-8.30
Falf Guy Q.se' Majors). 11.00 News.
11.05 Film: Hishoween Night (Doneld
Pleasence; Jamie Lee Curtis).
12.55am Barriey Miller, 1.25
Closedows.

ULSTER

As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 2: 45-4.15 Film: Where the Bullets Fly. 2a little fighter planes are torced to should down one of their own aircraft. 5.15 Hear, Here. 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Uster. 6.30-7.00 Diffrent Strokes. 7.3 5-8.30 Fall Goy. 10.30 Witness. 10. 35 Gloria Plus: Coopersting. Limits and Aversation I, music and tertainment. 11.35 Bedtime, sedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: 9.25 am Good Word. 9.30-91.35 News. 1.20 pm-1.30 News, Lookagound. 2.45-4.15 Film: The Arsenal Stadium Mystery (Leske Banks). Scotland Yard is called in to banks). Scorand rard is cause in to investigate the munder of a footballer.* 6.00 News. IS.02 Sportstime, 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 News. 10.32 From Here to Elemity, parti 3, 12.20 pm Poet's Corner. 12.25 Closedows.

BORDER

2.45 Film: Winslow Boy (Robert Donat, Margaret Le j. jhton) Naval cadel's life seems ruined when he is charged with theft. 6.00 Linokaround, 6.38-7.00 That's Holly grood, 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 Take the Mick. 11.00 Bizarre. 11.30 News: 11.33 Closed

TSW

As London except: 1.20 prp-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Green Grow the Rushes (Richard Burton, Honor Blackman). Two civil servents try to prevent the marshmen of Kent irom carrying on their traditional occupation, smuggl.ng. 5,15-5.45 occupation, snugging, 5,15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 What's Ahead, 7.30-8.30 Hart to Hart, 10.35 Postscript 10.40 Mysterious Tales. 10.45 Three's Company, 11.15 Film: The Cat. Ageing couple's hate is as strong as their love ence was. 12.45am Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

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Fears of unrest keep Warsaw University shut

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, Feb 4

A fresh sign of official anxiety about popular unrest came today when Warsaw University remained shut, despite published plans to begin formal classes for undergraduates. Some students, however, returned to the camous and attended special meetings during which lecturers read out the new strict regulations on university life.

The students were then obliged to sign a document stating that they had heard and understood the regulations. which amongst other things provide for expulsion for political activity. Unofficial reports say that a number of student leaders have been interned over the past few weeks, including some that have had no association with Solidarity or NZS, the independent student union.
Mr Jerzy Urban, the Govern-

ment spokesman, said in an interview that martial law restrictions had been rightened up in a Wrociaw college since a recent demonstration by

In Gdnask too there are persistent reports of continu-ing student discontent—and much tighter university regula-tions since Saturday's demonstration. A traveller recently returned from the city said that as many as 9,000 were involved in the demonstration and that the attack by riotpolice was spurred by agents provocateurs in the crowd who shouted "Reagan, Reagan!" Significantly the new adminis-trative head of Gdansk is an Army officer, General Mieczy-

slaw Cygnon.
Church sources say that
Father Hendryk Jaworski, the
priest of Mr Lech Walsea's parish in Gdnask, was denied access to the Solidarity leader when he tried to visit him to discuss the name of his newly born child. [Mrs Danuta Walesa gave birth to a baby girl, their seventh child, on January 27, AP reports]. This is the second time in recent days that the authorities have blocked church contact with Mr Walesa.

There are a number of possible explanations being mooted. The first is that Mr Walesa hay have loeen moved from house-arrest in Konstan-tin to a Miinistry of the Interior building in the centre of Warsaw and that the authorities want to avoid pub-licizing the fact. There is no way of testing this theory.

The second possible explanation is that Mr Walesa's official status is now that of an interned prisoner and that he is no longer under the vaguer conditions of house arrest

The final—and for the Church, far more disturbing explanation — is Government may have grown suspicious of church contacts with Mr Walesa, knowing that sometimes messages are passed, through informal church channels, between members of the Solidarity membership.

The Government spokesman said today that Mr. Walesa had been holding "questing conversations" with i Mr. Josef Ciusek, Minister for Trade Union Affairs, about the future of the trade union empressed in of the trade union movement. In an interview with The Times, Mr Urban said that a concept of trade union struc-ture was still being worked out ture was still being worked out by the Government, but he gave some clues as to how the new "Solidarity" will be organized. There might well, he said, be a move away from the regional structure that characterized the old Soli-darity. This had allowed con-siderable power to regional siderable power to regional union chiefs and had contributed to the divisions -and in the Government view-to the radical postures of the union. Instead, there might well be a

return to unions that grouped certain industries. ☐ Brussels: A credit squeeze on the Soviet Union, now seems inevitable. France made the difficult decision today to allow the EEC to recommend higher charges for Russian export credits negotiated through the OECD.



A warm welcome from the Pope as his fellow countryman, Mgr Jozef Glemp, Primate of Poland, arrives at the Vatican for talks on the situation in Poland. (Report, page 9.)

Yard lost £5,000 taken from prisoner

arrest in 1978. The money has never been found despite an internal inquiry.

Scotland Yard refused to make good the loss until the man threatened them with legal action. Now he is to receive the full amount, £5,443, and a further £1,670 in

The money disappeared after Mr Thomas Naylor, a film maker, of Chelsea, west London, was arrested by Customs and police officers en drugs

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter Scotland Yard has admitted charges. He was taken to a claim and the amount of cash losing more than £5,000 confiscated from a man during his arrest in 1978. The money has seized. seized.
In July 1979 Mr Naylor, who is in his 40s, pleaded guilty at Inner London Crown Court to smuggling 108 kilos of cannabis resin from Amsterdam. He was sentenced to three years in retion but the mistake when the money was larst counted, but an investigation was carried out by officers from the Yard's Complaints Investigation Bureau
with submitted a report to the
Director of Public Prosecutions. three years in prison but the court ordered that his money should be returned to him, and most of it was.

Scotland Yard told The Times: "At the conclusion of

The report, presented in the middle of 1980, concluded that there was no evidence that the money had been stolen but proceedings against Mr Naylor mistakes could have there was a difference of made when it was counted opinion between Mr Naylor's entered in the fiftes. mistakes could have been

The case was closed in June, 1980 and Scotland Yard said.
"The report was sent to the DEP who decided there was insufficient evidence to institute proceedings against any police officer. The inquiry

police officer. The inquiry revealed discrepancies in the documentation of money actually taken."

Mr Neytor was taid the result of the inquiry by the DPP in October, 1980, but the Yard continued to refuse to pay anything back. Lare last year Mr Naylor instituted civil proceedings in the High Court, and the Yard capitulated after taking counsel's advice.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Mum's the word in the House and at home

ber of salt-of-the-earth figures on the Labour benches, complained yester-day about the hadequacy of the Government's three new experimental nursing flomes for old people in diverse parts of the county. It's just a soporalid", he assured the

it was the sort of inter-

yendon, made late, in the strength of charge and drowsy delate on the glight of ciderly people, that, always causes the mind pleasantly to wander. Did he man, the exceptionarial para. mean the experimental mas-ing homes was just a sup? Had he mispeced the word "palitative"? Was be under the impression that "supori-fic" meant "publishive"? (The mispake is easity made.) Did the not have the faintest Did he not have the faintest, idea what either word meant or andered what he was takeing about? Or was the word leasunfully and enactly obseen—conveying as it did the possibility that it might be extremely boring to live in one of these emprimental musing homes? On balance, one should accept the last explanation.

mr Carter-Jones's remark happened when he intervened in the speech of Mr Norman Fowler, the secretary for social services. It was the speech's highlight. For Mr Powler, though he is able and kitted out with a good brain, and is all the other things which people, say about young ministers, he is sometimes—how should one phrase this without giving him offence?—just a little-palliative.

"Mr Carter-Jones's case demonstrated once again that on the whole MPs should stick to short Anglo-Saxon words instead of too much of that Latin-based filth Not that Latin-based filtit. Nottoo short and Anglo-Saxon,
though, as a ruling by the
Speaker made clear. In the
debate on sex shops on Wednesday evening, the Labour
left-winger Mr. Reg. Race had
spoken in fluent Anglo-Saxon
when quoting from the prosrectile, of one on these

Mer Lewis Carter Jones, emporis. In a ruling at the me of the diminishing man, and of question time yesterme of salt of the cartif day, the Speaker, Mr George
of salt of the cartif day, the Speaker, Mr George emports. In a ruling at the end of question time yester-day, the Speaker, Mr George Thomas, said that he would always regard the term used the previous evening as "unperliamentary". "None of us would use it in our own homes," he added.

One shares the general admiration for Mr Speaker Thomas, but is compelled to observe that this last observation was peculiarly irrele-

vation was peculiarly irrele-vant. The fact that none of us would use it in our own homes has nothing to do with whether a word is suit-able for us in Parliament. There are plenty of words used in Parliament which MPs would not use in their Or at least we must assume that MPs do not lounge around their own homes shouring out "order, order", or "resign" or "withdraw". O at least we must assume that only a few members of strange and unusual tastes do

Moreover was the Speaker entirely right in thinking than no members would use the word in their own homes? Memion of filth, leads one naturally to the contemporary theore. Toby Jessel (Twickenham, Con), in asking Mr Francis Pym (Leader of the House) to arrange for a dehane soon on the arts, explained: There is a very great interest in the arts, More people flow go to the thearre than to football matches. The thought occurred that perhaps these matches. The thought occurred that perhaps these theatregoers were the former football goers. Was Mr Jessel wise to be su pleased? Is it not true that people behave badly at football, that they sing Anglo Sanon songs of whom they disapprove? of whom they disapprove?

Mr Pym spreed there
should be a debate, but was
wary of welcoming this
alleged Thespian hysteria.

Mr Jessel had opened up
a vista of fights between proRSC and pro-National gangs,
chants of Oscar Wilde's a
meet and other muleasant. queer and other unpleasant besses. It was clear that Mr Pyu. would soon be facing calls for a debate on theatre hooliganism.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Exhibitions

Scottish Young Contempor-ries, Aberdeen Art Gallery, choolbill, Aberdeen, 10 to 5, Lincolnshire at work, Victorian

and Edwardian prhotographs, Museum of Lincoln dire Life, Burton Road, Lincoln, 10 to 5.30. Arrogant Connoisseur: Richard Payne Knight, 1751-1/324, Whit-worth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, 10 to 5.

5 Source a writer might dip into

7 Anna is to transpose music

8 Duke set spring fashuon round

it needs changing (10).

6 Time is up, too (4).

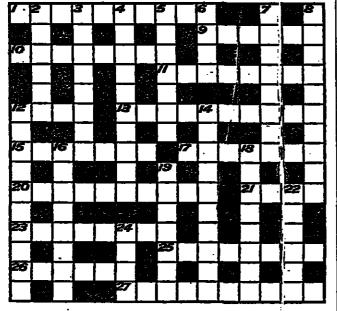
bingo centre (10).

possibly (8).

right (6).

19 Play some chess? (3,4).

The Times Crossword No 15,748



- 1 Musicians striking? (10). 9 Ried found mineral oil mix-
- ture in it (6). 10 Star provided for Missing Letter"? (8).
- 11 Surprising amount of money for fruit, perhaps (8).
- 12 Yield to court expert, say (4). 13 Whereby characters are
- screened in Latvia (10). 15 Confounded axe-head struck
- heavily (7). 17 Immediate tick? (7). 20 Dish cooked by Maclean
- (n.b.g.) (10). 21 Husky fare for Fingal's dog
- 23 Call about the kiln it's
- very hot (8). friendly spirit? (8).
- 26 Infantryman should be part of the foot (6). 27 Lear's little dog a darling (10).

- 2 Letters written in direction of old Jew (හි.
- 3 Top politician's home draughts, we hear (8). 4 Cricketers' side, including
- Rex, left behind by aircraft (10).

Prize Crossword in the Times tomorrow

of miles, photographs by Freddie Reed, National Centre of Photo-graphy, Octagon, Milson Street, Bath, 10 to 4.45. Bath, 10 to 4.45.

Twenty years of work by Vladimir Mayakovsky, Fruit Market Gallery, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh, 10 to 5.30.

Paintings and drawings by Harold Gilman, 1876-1919, Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Birmingham, 10 to 5.30.

Talks, lectures

Roman wall painting, by Patsy Vanags, 11.30; and Chinese ex-pressionist painters of the seven-teenth and eighteenth centuries, 1.15; British Museum. Music and painting (1): Kandinsky, by James Malpas, Tare Gallery, 1.

high priest, by Colin Wiggins. National Gallery. 1. Last chance to see

Last chance to see
Poussin and his engravers,
University Art Gallery, Portland
Building, University of Nottingham, 10 to 7.
Prints and watercolours by
Michael Callimore, Anthony
Davies and John Macfarlane, St
Paul's Gallery, St. Paul's Street,
Leeds, 10 to 5.
Music

Congest by the West Suffolk

Concert by the West Suffolk Youth Orchestra, St Edmunds-bury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, 7.30.

Academy of anicient music chamber music recital, Saltram House, Plymouth, 8.

The papers

The Daily Mail comments today that the train drivers' strike has one cheerful aspect, the resource-ful way in which commuters have

one cheerrul aspect, the resourceful way in which commuters have
responding to the challenge of
having no trains. Some rise
before the postman, some share
vehicles, while others have rediscovered the charms of the
hicycle. "As a result, the
traveilling public is winning: it is
those who work in British Rail
who struct to lose."

The Daily Express, writing on
the findings of the latest Mori
public opinion poll, notes that an
increasing number of people are
expecting the economy to improve, although 40 per cent still
think it will get worse. "The
indices are all moving in the Goverment's favour", it says. With
the election not likely to be held
until the spring of 1934 Mrs
Thancher has plenty of time in
hand to swing it." 12 Room can supply wine (10). 14 Millionaire gives Brenda £5-16 Foot "in a shoe" for instance

22 Sportsman gets point of view 24 Mischief-makers prat one in

Parliament today the chemist (4). Commons (9.30): Private Members' Bills: Planning Inquiries (Attendance of Public) Bill and Death Gram Increase Bill, second Solution of Puzzle N v 15.747

Sporting fixtures

Football: Fourth division, Crewe v Blackpool (7.30) Racing: Meetings at Kelso (1.15) and Kempton Park (1.30) Sport on TV

EEC 1: The Superstars, Fer-guson men's championship: 9.25, European ice figure skating championships. BEC 2: 5.0, World skiing championships, men's giann

Travel today

Pre-recorded travel information on Traveline Rail: 01-246 8030; koad: 01-246 8031; Sea: 01-246 8032; Air: 01-246 8033.

Rail

British Rail experts to operate normal services today on commuter and Inter-City routes after the Aslef drivars' strike yesterday and Wednesday. First train from King's Cross to Edinburgh at 8 am and to Aberdeen at 12 noon. Some cancellations on Newcastle-Liverpool cross-Peuniue service via Manchester.

Manchester - Gatwick - Brighton

Manchester - Gatwick - Brighton service running up to Burningham only, but alternative arrangements made. Eastern Region travellers to the North-e st and Edinburgh must expect delays because of landslip at Grantham.

Refunds

Season ticket holders will be able to claim extensions or re-funds for the days of the train drivers strikes, British Rail said drivers strikes, British Rail and yesterday. Weekly season ticket holders will be able to claim refunds only, but for longer period tickets either option is available, through the ticket office where the season was bonghr.

office where the season was bought.

Claims for refunds or excusions for the Sunday strikes will be approved if the traveller makes a statement that he would have travelled on a Sunday.

Air and sea A work-to-rule strike by French customs agents spread to virtually all French border posts and international airports yesterday, causing long lines and some flight delays. At Calais, truck

drivers exasperated over lengthy waits used their rigs to block the terminal entrances to England-bound Channel ferries.

Because of Sealink dispute, no Newhaven / Dieppe ferries operating Roadworks

Roadworks

Scotland: A95: West High
Street, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire,
major repairs. M9: All traffic
staring one carriageway at junction 10 (Stirling). A93: Sewerwork is in hand along Dundee.
Road, Perth, temporary signals
operate 24 hours.
North: A59: Temporary signals at Skipton, Yorkshire, delays.
A5117: Temporary traffic lights
operating between Hapsford and
Dunkirk, north of Chester.
Information supplied by the AA.

Anniversaries today

Robert Feel was born in Bury, Lancassire, 1788; John Lludley, bozaular, at Catton, Northumber-land, 1799; Dwight Moody, evangelist; in East Northfield, Massachuseurs, 1837. Thomas Car-lyle died in London, 1881.

Vegetable prices

Cantiflowers are excellent value this weekend at 30p to 50p a pound, and good burs are carrots. Savoy cabbage, leeks and turnips. Greek and Spanish cucumbers are Greek and Spanish cucumbers are dear at 50p to 75p each. Apples are not cheap, but there is a wide choice of varieties, Cape dessert

Top box office films

The top 10 films in London: Arthur Body Heat

Fort Apache, The Bronx Gallipoli Lady Chatterley's Lover The French Lieutenant's

Woman Ghost Story. Rich and Famous An American Werewolf in London

The Woman Next Doortop five in the provinces: Hot Bubble Guin

4 Midnight Express/McVicar 5 -Lady Chatterley's Lover Compiled by Screen Internation

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Switzerland Fr 3.20
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Tyrsoslavia Dur 105.60 Switzerland Fr 3.70 USA S 1.92 Yugoslavia Dur 105.60

Auctions today

Christie's, King Street: fine Continental pictures of the nine-teenth and twentieth centuries, 11. Christie's, South Kensington: printed books, atlases and maps, 10.30; old and modern silver, 2. Philips, Bienheim Street: Silver and gold boxes, 11. Southeby's. Boast Street: carpets, 10; modern prints, 10.30 and 2.30.

Bond winners Winners of £10,000 prizes in the February Premium Bund prize draw are: 68Z 780367 (winner lives in Essex): 10LT 956493 (Berkshire); 23RB 071975 (West Yorkshire); 20VL 757056 (Lincolumbire): 19W7 544824 Lincolnshire); 19WZ 644836

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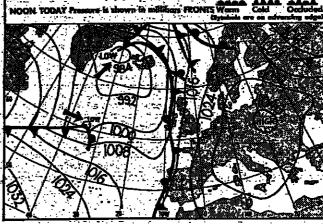
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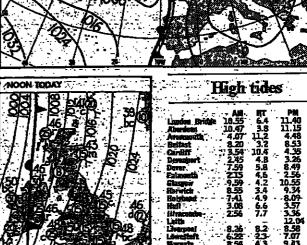
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